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# hello


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 Top 40 radio is taken over by John Tesh, Yanni and Raffi


 Jim Carrey announces he'll never do another funny movie again.


 Our VCR starts flashing 13:00 nonstop.

 We try to walk out of the theater at the end of a movie and find that our feet are permanently glued to the floor.

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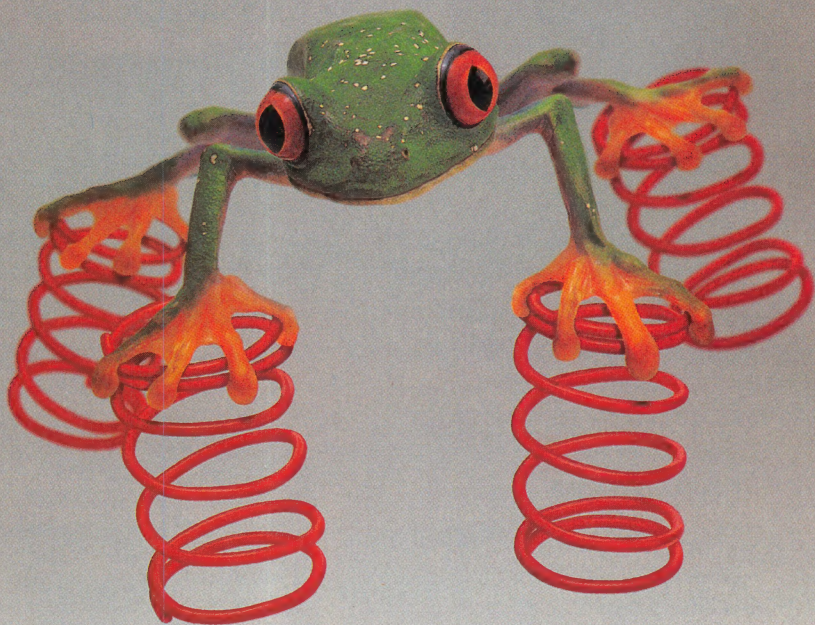
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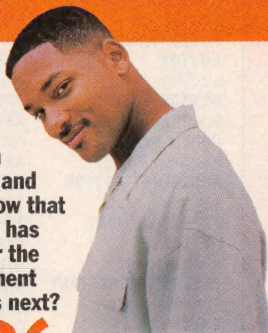
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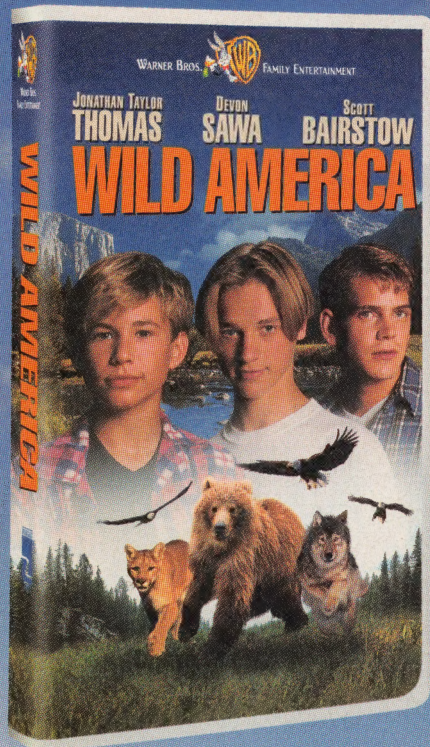
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# MailBOX

## Psychic Readers

We received tons of letters about our May article on ESP—and your psychic powers. (For results of our contest, see page 15.)

**I** have had experiences with ESP. Two years ago, when I was on vacation in Florida, we were on the beach and I heard strange voices in my head. I predicted there would be a hurricane, and a week later there was one—at the same beach! Another time I was at a birthday party, and I predicted that someone in the room would get hurt in the near future, and it happened. These are just some of my predictions that have come true.

**Sarah Erwin, 10, Springfield, Illinois**

**I** liked your story on ESP. I tried the second experiment, “Send Pictures With Your Mind,” and every time I drew the correct picture! I never knew I had ESP.

**Brittany Perry, 12  
Longmont, Colorado**

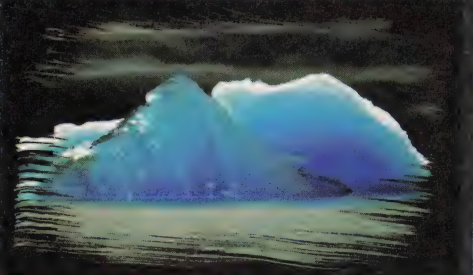
**I** tried some of the ESP experiments, and they really showed that I have ESP. While I was reading about how to make a “Psychic Phone Log,” the phone rang. I said to myself, “That’s someone for my grandpa.” I went to see who it was for, and it was for him! And some other times, I predicted what some people would say, and I was right. Cool, huh?

**Melody Owens, 12, Lake Worth, Florida**



**I** really enjoyed your article on ESP. This ability has been in my family for generations. My grandfather was good friends with the captain of the *Titanic*. The night before it sailed, my grandfather had a dream that the ship would hit an iceberg and sink.

**Mariah Henrickson, 14, Simsbury, Connecticut**



## Write to Us!

We want to know what you think of this issue. Tell us what you've been doing lately, or write about this month's topic: Can you scare our staff? Send in photos of your most frightening faces. We'll pick the best ones and publish them in a later issue.

Send letters, along with your name, birth date, address and telephone number, to: Mailbox/Disney ADVENTURES, P.O. Box 861, New York, NY 10113-0861. Your letter must be sent with the signed release form on page 77 in order for us to consider it for publication. All materials sent become the property of DISNEY ADVENTURES, and all rights thereto are transferred to DISNEY ADVENTURES. They may be used without compensation or acknowledgment and cannot be returned.



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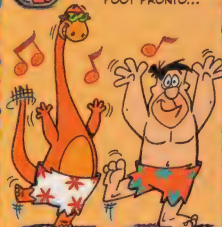
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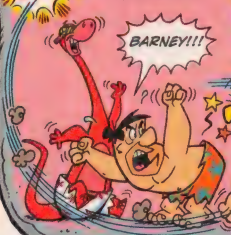
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FANCY  
WALK-IN-PLACE!



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TOUCH  
THE  
FLOOR—



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FRIEND'S PEBBLES  
LIKE BEFORE!



I THINK YOUR PEBBLES ARE  
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HEE HEE!







## HOT LIST

This month's hot list comes from winners of the 1997 Children's Summit Contest. Hundreds of kids from 40 countries met at Disneyland Paris this past June to attend workshops, share ideas and have a blast. The 11 U.S. winners polled tons of kids to discover what's totally cool around the globe. Looks like you guys have lots in common!

## D.A. Slang

**Illest.** Best. "Yo, that new 311 album is the illest!"

### Swagmeister.

Someone who gets a lot of free stuff.

"I want to be a swagmeister like Peter—he always gets extra cookies from the lunch lady."

### That be bangin'.

Cool. "Pizza Day at your school is twice a week? That be bangin'—ours is only once a month."

## HOT

**WARNING:**  
You may disagree!



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"The X-Files"  
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"The Simpsons"  
Soccer



SPAIN

Michael Jordan  
Backstreet Boys



SWEDEN

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Clint Eastwood  
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FINLAND

John Travolta  
Spice Girls


Winners from the U.S. and Belgium (below)




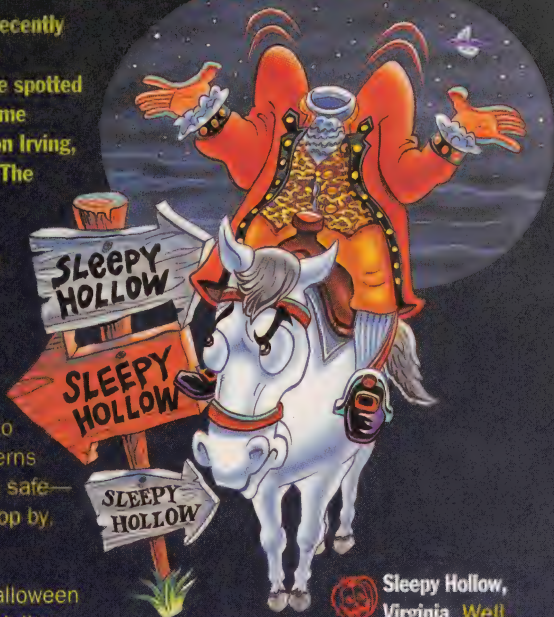



# Wide Awake in Sleepy Hollow

**N**orth Tarrytown, New York, recently changed its name to Sleepy Hollow—but not because someone spotted a headless horseman. The new name honors hometown hero Washington Irving, author of the classic scary story “The Legend of Sleepy Hollow.” We checked out the Halloween celebrations at several towns that share the same eerie name.

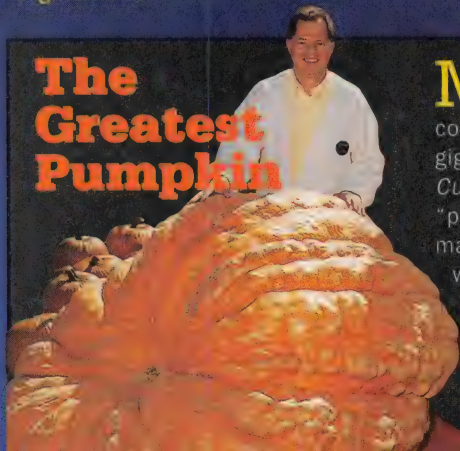
 **Sleepy Hollow, New York.** At the first Halloween in the official Sleepy Hollow, you can visit a haunted mansion, listen to ghost stories, carve jack-o'-lanterns and—just when you think you're safe—see the headless horseman gallop by. (Not the real one, silly!)

 **Sleepy Hollow, Illinois.** On Halloween afternoon, kids at Sleepy Hollow Elementary School hear the pounding of horse hooves. The headless horseman's arrival signifies the end of school and the beginning of trick-or-treating. The town caps off the night with a party, ghost stories, costume contests and a huge bonfire.



 **Sleepy Hollow, Virginia.** Well, besides gathering yummy loot, there's not much to do. But for a good scare, get mom or dad to drive the two-mile stretch of Sleepy Hollow Road until the car runs out of gas. Then you can walk home, wondering if some headless horror is waiting to pop out of the woods.

## The Greatest Pumpkin



**M**embers of the World Pumpkin Confederation hold an annual contest in October to produce gigantic-size specimens of *Cucurbita maxima* (that's "pumpkin" to you jack-o'-lantern makers). Last year's 1,061-pound winner (shown here) broke the world's record for largest pumpkin. That's enough gooey stuff to make more than 500 pumpkin pies!



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sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
<p><b>2</b></p>  <p><b>New York City Marathon.</b> Watch out for that cab!</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>World Scrabble Championship. What crazy words will the winner spell this year?</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Election Day. How many more years til you can vote?</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>  <p>Practice, practice! International Drum Month</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Have you thrown out your jack-o'-lantern yet?</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> 	<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Satisfy your urge to hurl pumpkins at the World Championship Punkin' Chunkin' in Lewes, DE.</p>
<p><b>9</b></p> <p>There's no place like home. Homeplace Festival in Waretown, NJ</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>  <p>Fifty-one days until 1998.</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Happy 22nd B-day to Titanic survivor Leonardo DiCaprio.</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>David Schwimmer (Ross on "Friends") turns 31.</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>International Gift Festival in Fairfield, PA</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Full moon</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p><b>Cook Something Bold and Pungent Day—use garlic, liverwurst, bleu cheese and onions.</b></p>
<p><b>16</b></p> <p>National Geography Awareness Week: Can you name all the state capitals?</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Happy 53rd birthday to Jimmy Deffo (yes, actor for Philadelphia).</p> 	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>The four main time zones were established in 1883.</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>1863: President Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address.</p>	<p><b>20</b></p>  <p>Abnatscon Pumpkin Festival in Ephrata, AK</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Happy 28th B-day to Ken Griffey Jr.</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>"Hey Mom, can I get a buffalo?" Buffalo Auction in Custer, SD</p>
<p><b>23</b></p> <p>National Game and Puzzle Week</p> <p><b>John F. Kennedy Day in Massachusetts</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Gingerbread House Competition in Lahaska, PA</p>	<p><b>25</b></p> <p>Invent a pumpkin side dish to serve at your Thanksgiving dinner.</p>	<p><b>26</b></p> <p>Marshall, TX, gets bright with 6 million lights during the Wonderland of Lights.</p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Gobble turkey. It's Thanksgiving.</p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>Sinkie Day honors people who eat meals over the kitchen sink.</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>  <p>Ranch Hand Breakfast in Kingsville, TX</p>
						<p><b>29</b></p> <p>Just try to catch a greased pig at Swine Time in Climax, GA.</p>



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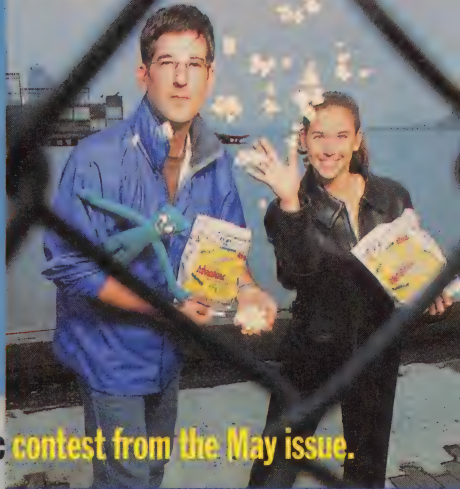
Here are the results of our psychic contest from the May issue.

**A** few months ago, DISNEY ADVENTURES asked you to help us and the American Society for Psychological Research (ASPR) in New York City with an experiment to test your psychic abilities. You were asked to concentrate on four questions about activities Sean, our managing editor, would be doing on a future date. The questions:

1. From ASPR headquarters, where will Sean go?
2. Which D.A. staff member will meet him?
3. What will the person who meets Sean give him?
4. Which action will Sean perform with the person who meets him?

After concentrating and writing down their thoughts, participants then looked at a list of four possible answers to each of the above questions and circled the one that best fit what they had "seen" in their minds.

Hundreds of responses came in. But only one of you correctly predicted all four answers. Congratulations to Tom



Only one reader predicted that our two staffers would meet on a pier, exchange a stuffed toy and share popcorn, which is exactly what happened on May 9.

Palazzolo, 14, of Madison Heights, Michigan!

On the appointed date, experts at the ASPR randomly selected the four actions for Sean to take. Here's what happened.

1. Sean went to a pier.
2. Assistant editor Michelle went to meet him there.
3. Michelle gave Sean a stuffed Gumby toy.
4. Sean and Michelle shared some popcorn.

How did Tom accurately see the future? "I sat down on a chair, kept quiet and shut my eyes," he says. As he visualized, the image of a mouth popped into his head. "So I selected 'share some popcorn' as the action, since you use your mouth to eat popcorn."

For his efforts, Tom wins top prize in our experiment—a year's membership with the ASPR, and the chance to participate in more experiments.



The psychic evidence



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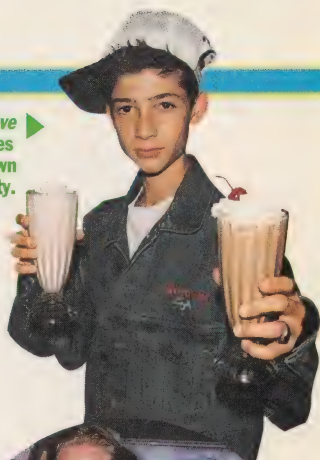


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**Boyz II Love:** "Party of Five" star Jennifer Love Hewitt (center) hangs with Boyz II Men at the Las Vegas Motown Cafe.

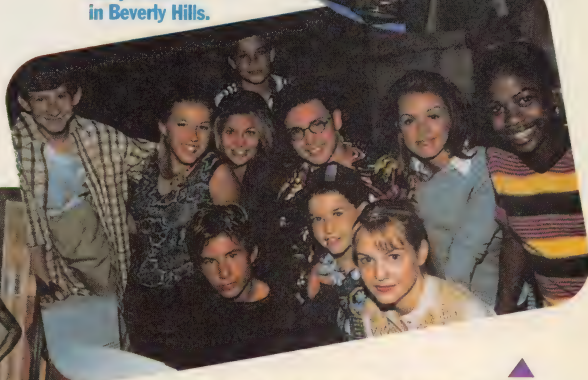
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**Vanessa Lee Chester** (*The Lost World: Jurassic Park*) and her little bro Kevin do their impersonation of the Supremes, '60s super singers.



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**Adam Zolotin** (*Leave It to Beaver*) shakes things up at Motown Cafe, New York City.



▶  
**Say cheese!** Jonathan Taylor Thomas and Devon Sawa donated a camera used in *Wild America* to Planet Hollywood in Beverly Hills.



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**Celebrity Sightings** ([www.celebritiesightings.com](http://www.celebritiesightings.com)) held a live cyberchat at Planet Hollywood, Beverly Hills. Celebrity chatters included: (top, left to right) Adam Wylie, Jodie Sweetin, Danielle Fishel, Michael Galeota, Jason Marsden, Jessica Bowman, Vanessa Lee Chester; (bottom, left to right) Jonathan Taylor Thomas, Courtland Mead and Larisa Oleynik.



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# Ticket

## Frances and the Fairies

Do fairies *really* exist? That's what everyone from magician Harry Houdini to Sherlock Holmes creator Sir Arthur Conan Doyle wondered after seeing fairy photos taken by two cousins in 1917. Now the story hits the big screen in *Fairytale—A True Story*. Elizabeth Earl, 10, plays Frances, one of the girls who sparked the controversy with her photos.

### Do you believe in fairies?

"I think they're probably real. If I saw one, I'd either stare at it or run away."

"Frances (right) is a bit like me," Elizabeth says. "She's bubbly and likes to laugh."

### What's your favorite scene in the movie?

"The one where I fall in the stream, even though we filmed it on a cold day. We did four takes and each time, I'd get out, get wrapped in foil and drink something hot to warm up."

### Who's your favorite fairy in the movie?

"I liked them all when I saw them. They weren't there when we filmed. The special effects people added them later. So, to show us where the water fairy would be, the crew used a fishing pole with a stone tied to the end."

## NameDropping

### Gossip, Gossip, Gossip

D.A. has been out and about lately, spotting celebs everywhere!

First, while shopping at a chichi clothing store's big sale,



Leonardo DiCaprio

### Leonardo DiCaprio

popped up beside us to check out the picture frames we were admiring. When a photographer bugged him for a pic, Leo politely declined and then beat a path to the jeans aisle....

The *Leave It to Beaver* block



Vanessa Lee Chester

party lured all sorts of celebs out of hiding. We chatted with **Vanessa Lee Chester** (*The Lost World*:

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# Ticket

## New Releases Coming This Month

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*Jurassic Park*) while munching on delish hot dogs and pieces of a football-shaped cake. She told us she'd spent



Barry Watson

the last few months traipsing all over the world promoting the huge

dino flick. She even went to South Africa and met President Nelson Mandela! Meanwhile, **Michelle Trachtenberg** ("Meego") hopped till she dropped in a potato sack race. **Tori Spelling** ("Beverly Hills, 90210")



Zachery Ty Bryan

hung out with **Barry Watson** (of "7th Heaven"), while **David Gallagher**

(also of "7th Heaven") shot some hoops with **Zachery Ty Bryan** ("Home Improvement").

### In Theaters

#### *Rocket Man*

When a member of the first manned mission to Mars can't make the trip, his not-so-brainy replacement causes a world of trouble.

#### *Chairman of the Board*

Carrot Top stars as Edison, a surfer dude and inventor extraordinaire who inherits a struggling corporation.



Carrot Top becomes boss.

### In Video Stores

#### *Batman & Robin*

"*Hercules & Xena: The Battle for Mount Olympus*"

#### *Jingle All the Way*

#### *The Jungle Book*

#### *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*

#### *Wild America*

### On Television

"*Halloween Hound: The Legend of the Creepy Collars*"

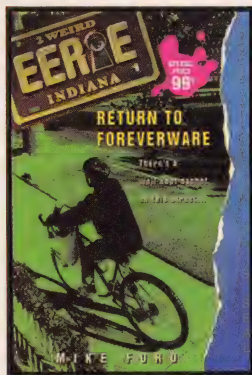
Wishbone makes his prime-time debut in this spooky special based on *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.

### In Bookstores

#### *State By State Shivers*

*Eerie, Indiana #1: Return to Foreverware* by **Mike Ford**

Two '70s disco nuts seal two very '90s boys in "Foreverware"—kinda like Tupperware, but you stay young for good.



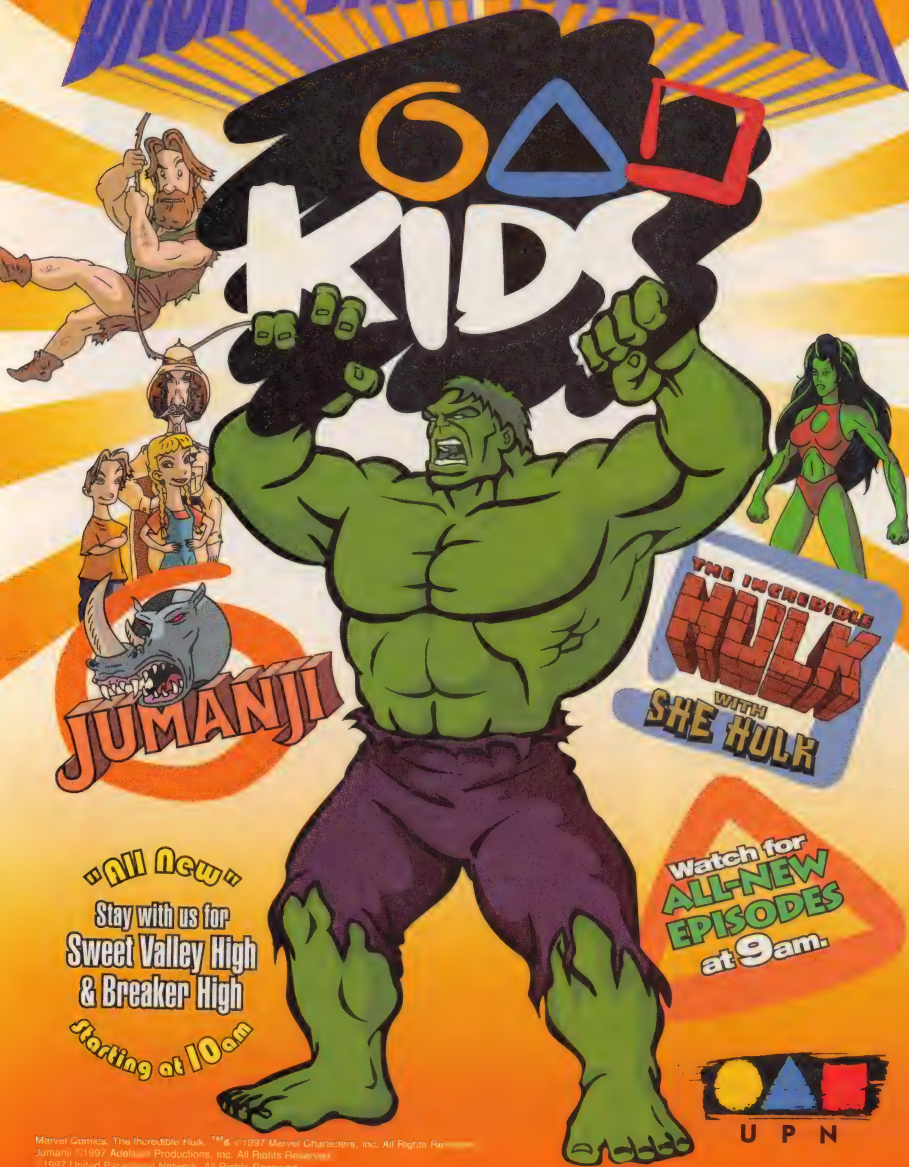
#### *Haunted America: Ghosts of the Southwest* by **Ted Wood**

The spirits of gunslingers, bank robbers and ditched brides visit real-life Wild West haunts to throw dishes and jump in family photos in these true ghost stories. Hey, ghosts get annoyed, too.

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# Ticket



## Mouthin' Off

**"I can't believe we've been annoying people for this long."**

—Matt Groening, creator of *"The Simpsons,"* on becoming the longest-running prime-time animated TV show after seven years on the air.

## Ask Liz

In honor of Halloween, we asked our favorite TV sorceress, Melissa Joan Hart (*"Sabrina, the Teenage Witch"*) to answer some of your questions about her.

**When is Melissa Joan Hart's birthday? Does she have cats in real life? If she does, what are their names?**

"My birthday is April 18. I've had one cat for about 15 years. Her name is Sissy, but she's a tough cat."

**Is Sabrina friends in real life with Harvey (Nate Richert), the guy she likes on the show?**

"Yes, Nate was over my house last night. We have barbecues, like, every night. His girlfriend is a very good friend of mine."

**What are Melissa Joan Hart's future plans?**

"My mother and I have a production company, Hartbreak Films. We produced a movie in

Australia called *Doom Runners* [a futuristic action-adventure film in which a group of kid heroes try to escape the villainous Doom Troopers]. It will be turned into an animated series on Nickelodeon next year, and I'd like to do one of the voices, if I have time. I hope to do a 'Sabrina' animated series, and I want to do the voice of Sabrina, of course."

**Send your entertainment questions to: Ask Liz/Disney Adventures, 500 S. Buena Vista Street, Burbank, CA 91521-6153. And if you want me to print your question, fill out the form on page 77 and send it with your letter. Thanks!**



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# Makin' Music in Munchkinland

**W**e're off to rock the Wizard, the wonderful Wizard of Oz! We filled the yellow brick road with modern-day musicians who remind us of the original stars. Here's our cast of singers, guitarists and songwriters—oh, my! Starting from left to right: LeAnn Rimes as Glinda, the Good Witch; Flea (Red Hot

Chili Peppers) as Toto; Alanis Morissette as Dorothy; Beck as the Scarecrow; James Hetfield (Metallica) as the Tin Man; Billy Corgan (Smashing Pumpkins) as the Wizard; Adam Duritz (Counting Crows) as the Cowardly Lion; and Mel B. ("Scary Spice" of Spice Girls) as the Wicked Witch of the West.





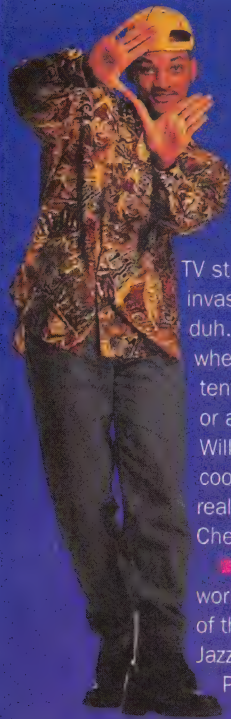
# MR. COOL

A full-page photograph of Will Smith. He is crouching on a dark, textured rock. He is wearing a black short-sleeved shirt and black pants. He is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a solid blue color.

**The fearless  
Fresh Prince of  
Bel-Air has  
become the king  
of TV, movies  
and music. Now  
with his first  
solo CD, Will  
Smith looks to  
conquer his  
scariest  
challenge yet.**

By Deborah Barnes





**N**eed a rapper? Call Will Smith. Searching for a TV star? Call Will Smith. Alien invasion got you down? Well, duh...call Will Smith! But whether he's facing a tentacle-headed fighter pilot or a colossal cockroach, Will Smith never loses his cool. Is he as fearless in real life as in the movies? Check this out:

■ **Conquer the music world?** No problem. As half of the rap duo known as DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince, he rapped his way to the top of the pop charts in the 1980s. Hits included "Girls Ain't Nothing But Trouble" and "Parents Just Don't Understand," which won the first Grammy ever awarded for best rap performance!

■ **Dominate TV?** Fuggetaboutit! As the star of "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air," Will was the coolest thing on the small screen for six years. (And the reruns still rule the tube!)

■ **Master the movies?** He's only starred in the biggest blockbusters of the past two summers. In both *Independence Day* and *Men in Black*, he was the baddest—and funniest—alien-buster on earth!

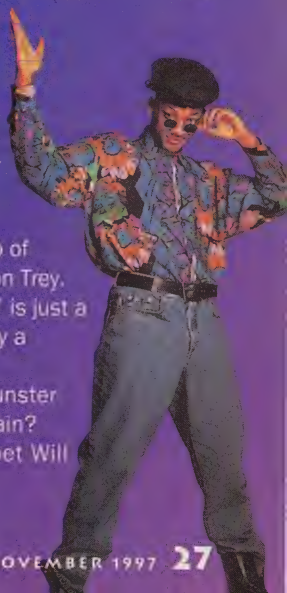
How did Will get so good at everything? By focusing on one thing at a time. He once explained it this way:

"What my father always made very clear to me is just do one thing well, so you can focus. If you do one thing well, everything else will come from that. I started off rapping, and I did it as a hobby. That's when you really get good at something—when you enjoy what you do." Apparently, Will enjoys lots of stuff!

So what's next for Mr. Smith? It's back to music. He says doing the *Men in Black* sound track got him excited about making music again. So he's releasing his first solo album this fall—as Will Smith, not the Fresh Prince. At presstime, he didn't have a title for the new CD, but insiders say it's full of the fun jams the cool guy is famous for.

"He's stepped up the rap on this album," says Samuel Sapp, an executive at Columbia Records who worked with Will on the album. "It's kind of an extension of the *Men in Black* record. The music has a harder edge, but the lyrics are still very positive—no negative vibes. For example, one song, 'Just the Two of Us,' is about his son Trey. And 'Yes, Yes Y'all' is just a fun song—definitely a party record."

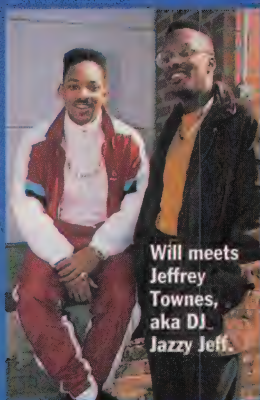
Can the fresh funster top the charts again? We're willing to bet Will will!





# Where The

Everyone has ups and downs, but Will Smith's rocket to stardom just keeps zooming higher.



Will meets Jeffrey Townes, aka DJ Jazzy Jeff.

**SEPT. 25, 1968:** Will Smith is born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**1981:** Will meets Jeffrey Townes, also known as DJ Jazzy Jeff, and they become partners. Will, who was nicknamed Prince Charming by his grade-school teachers, adopts the name Fresh Prince.



Will and DJ Jazzy Jeff hit the charts.

**1987:** DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince release their first album, *Rock the House*, on Jive Records.

**1988:** The singles "Girls Ain't Nothing But Trouble" and "Parents Just Don't Understand"

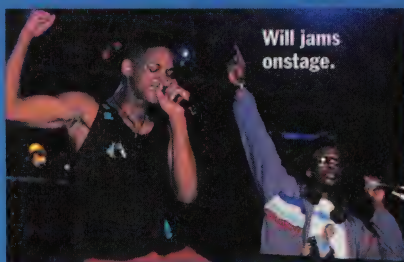
become hits. The duo's second album, *He's the DJ, I'm the Rapper*, sells 3 million copies and reaches No. 4 on the pop charts.

**1989:** DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince release their third album, *And In This Corner*, which sells more than a million copies but tops out at No. 39.

**1990:** The TV show "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" hits the air.



Royal Will rules the air.



Will jams onstage.

**1991:** Will records his fourth album with DJ Jazzy Jeff, *Homebase*. It sells a million copies, reaches No. 12 on the pop charts and contains the Top 10 hit "Summertime."

**1992:** Will gets his first movie role, a small part in *Where the Day Takes You*, a movie about homeless Los Angeles street kids.

**1993:** The duo's fifth album, *Code Red*, is released. It sells only half a million copies, so Will decides

to focus on acting. He lands a small part in *Made in America*, starring Whoopi Goldberg. He also nabs a lead role in *Six Degrees of Separation*, a movie based on a Broadway play.

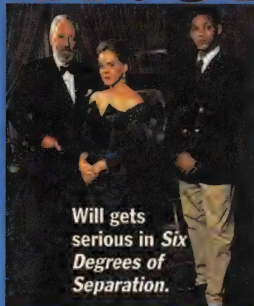


Big-screen laughs with *Made in America*.

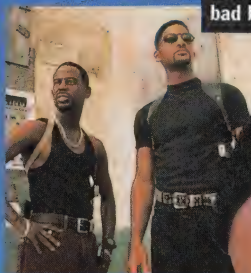
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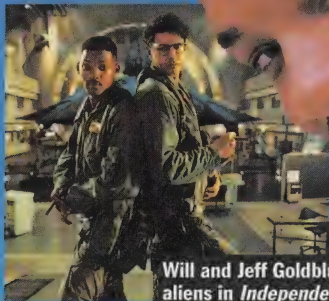
# There's a Will, There's a Way



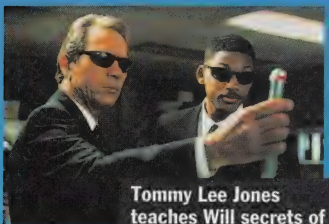
Will gets serious in *Six Degrees of Separation*.



Will teams up with fellow bad boy Martin Lawrence.



Will and Jeff Goldblum bash aliens in *Independence Day*.



Tommy Lee Jones teaches Will secrets of the *Men in Black*.

**1995:** Will co-stars with Martin Lawrence in *Bad Boys*, a major box office hit.

**1996:** Will says buh-bye to Bel-Air and hits the big screen in an even bigger way—his new movie, *Independence Day*, sets an opening-week box office record!

**1997:** *Men in Black* becomes summer's biggest blockbuster. And its sound track propels Will back to the top of the charts, where he hopes to return with his new solo CD, out October 28.

**1998:** Will starts filming *The Wild, Wild West* with George Clooney (*Batman & Robin*) in April.

(Clockwise from top left) Will Smith, Cuba Gooding Jr., Cuba Gooding Sr. in *Six Degrees of Separation*; Will Smith and Martin Lawrence in *Bad Boys*; Will Smith and Jeff Goldblum in *Independence Day*; Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones in *Men in Black*.

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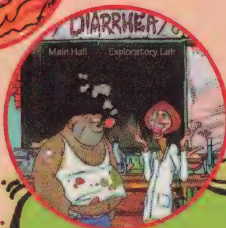
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# BOO!

A stylized illustration in a comic book or pulp magazine style. At the top, the word 'BOO!' is written in large, bold, red letters with a yellow outline. Below it, a man with dark hair, seen from the back and side, is holding a large, vintage-style movie camera. He is filming two children. The girl on the left has a shocked expression, her hands raised to her face. The boy on the right is also shocked, with his hands clasped near his mouth. The background is dark and textured, suggesting an indoor setting with a window or doorway.

Put on your scary face—we're making a monster movie!

**I**t's terror time. Take creepy noises, mix in totally terrified faces and add monster mayhem. Simmer, then sprinkle with tips from Hollywood's most spook-tacular director. And ahhhhhhh! You've got the recipe for a horrific Halloween thriller! Turn the page...if you dare.

# Master of

**Scream** director Wes Craven knows how to make a great scary movie. Here are his terrifying tips.

**1** If your popcorn flies all over the theater and your heart pounds right out of its ribcage, then Wes Craven knows he's done his job well. We asked him what five elements every scary movie must have. Super Scaryman that he is, he gave us six:

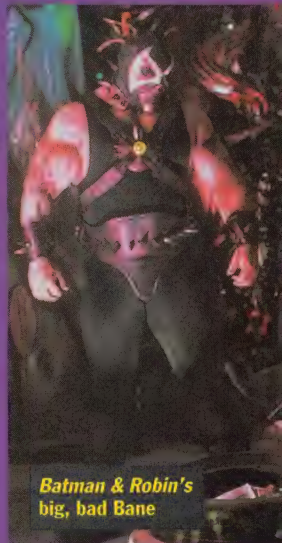
**1 Darkness.** "Fear of darkness is one of the basic, primeval scary things of life," says Wes.

**2 Something creepy-crawly.** You know, like a bug or a snake. "More scary things—they can bite us!"

**3 A big physical threat.** "It could be a Freddy Krueger or a dinosaur or an anaconda—anything like a stalking animal. Humans are basically puny little critters, and lots of things out there have big teeth and big claws."

**4 Technology breakdown.**

"Take away tools. The telephone stops working, or the killer takes it over. [The character] loses his gun or runs out of bullets. Maybe the car runs out of gas."



**Batman & Robin's**  
big, bad Bane

**Bugs attack in**  
*Indiana Jones and*  
*the Temple of Doom.*



**Buffy versus**  
a vampire



# Fear

By Karen Stillman

**5 Isolation.** "One by one, remove helpful people, like [the character's] friends and parents. We're most vulnerable when we're isolated."

**6 The supernatural.** "Go beyond reality. Anything dealing with magic, dream states, hallucinations, insanity—things not in our everyday reality fascinate and scare us."

## What Scares Wes?

**H**e's the high chief of horror, the father of fright! We wondered just how Wes Craven knows so much about making people afraid.

**Do people try to scare you a lot?**

"The first time I met Sam Raimi [who directed *Darkman*], we were doing an interview at a radio station. I was walking down a dark corridor toward the studios. A figure leapt out of the doorway, screamed and grabbed me around the neck! I jumped out of my socks! He said, 'Oh, hi. I'm Sam Raimi. I'm so happy I've scared Wes Craven.' That happens more often than I'd like to say."

**Do you like being scared?**

"Not really. I think the reason I'm able to do movies about fear is that I experience it myself."

**You mentioned "going beyond reality" as being important to making a great scary movie, but sometimes the villain is just a guy wearing a mask.**

"Right. But humans depend on reading faces, so a mask puts you in a sort of altered state of reality. Again, a mask is a very ancient device. Almost all primitive cultures used masks to enhance power."



**Goosebumps' haunted mask scares even its wearer!**

The monster chase



# Eek! Sque

Top sound effects artist Dennie Thorpe shares her secrets for creating spooky noises.



**Jurassic Park's**  
**T. rex makes a**  
**muddy mess.**



**Ghostbuster**  
**Dan Aykroyd**  
**gets slimed.**

**F**loorboards creak. Suddenly—Bang!—a door slams. Footsteps come closer, then a loud thud echoes through the darkness.

This may sound like a scary movie, but sounds can be deceiving. You've just entered a foley stage (named for 1950s sound pioneer Jack Foley), where experts called foley artists create cool sounds for movies and television.

Dennie Thorpe, a top foley artist, has created more than 250,000 different sounds for movies that include *Mission: Impossible* and *The Lost World: Jurassic Park*. "I'm always listening for odd noises that I can re-create," she says.

Here are Dennie's tips for making spooky sounds with household items.

## **Slimy, Squishy, Goopy Sounds**

**What to use:** Rubber gloves and hair gel, dishwashing liquid soap or melons

**What to do:** Rub and squish the gel, soap or insides of the melon between your fingers while wearing the rubber gloves for the sound of bugs, guts or slime.

## **Muddy Monster Footsteps**

**What to use:** Flour, water and a rag

**What to do:** Mix the flour and water until it's as goopy as pancake batter. Then squish the rag around in it to make the sound of muddy footsteps.



# ak! Splat!

By Kim Lockhart



A crunchy spider attacks *Jumanji*'s Bonnie Hunt.

## Sound Secrets

**H**ere's how Dennie created some of the sounds in your fave flicks.

### Movie: *Jurassic Park*

**What you hear:** Baby dinos hatching

**Sound effect secret:** Colossal ice cream cones are cracked, then fingers are dug into a cantaloupe.

### Movie: *Toy Story*

**What you hear:** Buzz Lightyear moving his arms or walking

**Sound effect secret:** Old roller skates are rolled or tapped on the floor.

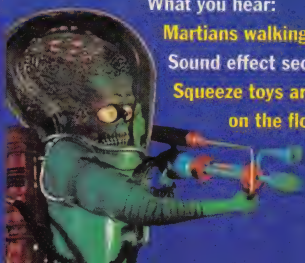
### Movie: *Mars Attacks!*

**What you hear:**

**Martians walking**

**Sound effect secret:**

**Squeeze toys are tapped on the floor.**



## Squeaks and Crunches

**What to use:** Balloons or watermelon

**What to do:** Run your wet fingers against an inflated balloon and you'll be in squeak city. Cut the watermelon halfway open, then pull it apart for the crunchy sound of bugs being smushed—Eew!

## Breaking and Crunching Bones

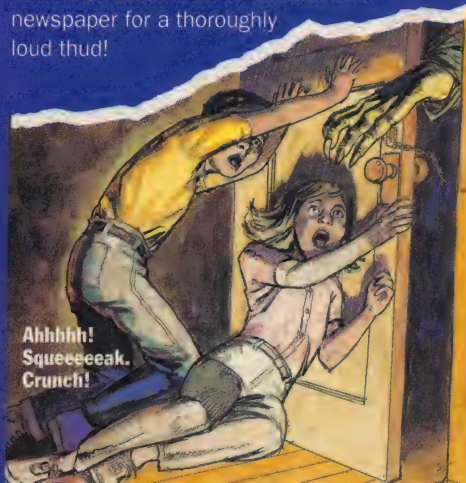
**What to use:** Celery and string beans or walnuts and a nutcracker

**What to do:** Snap celery and string beans for a finger-breaking sound. Crack the walnuts in the nutcracker for a knuckle-cracking or hand-twisting noise. Ouch!

## Thuds and Falls

**What to use:** A backpack or cardboard boxes and newspaper

**What to do:** Drop the backpack or the sealed cardboard box filled with newspaper for a thoroughly loud thud!



Ahhhhh!  
Squeeeeeeak.  
Crunch!

# Ghoul School

By Liz Smith

One of our editors dares to attend Monster College—and it's a scream come true!





**A**ll my life, I've been called a li'l monster. Probably because on Halloween—my favorite holiday, of course—I always dress up as something ghoulish. And, I loooooove scaring people, not just on Halloween, but all year round. So I wanted the degree to prove that I'm a bona fide monster! That's where Monster College comes in.

See, for 16 horrific nights every October, Knott's Berry Farm, an amusement park in southern California, is transformed into Knott's Scary Farm, the world's largest Halloween party. During the event, more than 1,000 monsters roam the fog-shrouded streets. Where do the monsters come from? Monster College! This ghoulish university includes auditions and training sessions that teach people how to act like monsters. I couldn't wait to enroll and become an official monster.



**The audition:** Seven other monster wannabes and myself make like monsters on a stage in front of judges. After a mere 90 seconds of snarling and spooking each other, we wait for the judges to decide if we've got what it takes to be a monster. I'm a little nervous. Up till now, I've only been an amateur monster, spooking friends and family, not serious judges! But I have had a lot of practice throughout my life, and it shows. I ace the audition.



**Formal monster training:** I'm outfitted in my purple tie-dyed ragged costume. (Guess this is what fashionable monsters are wearing nowadays.) Veteran monsters RU Superstitious, Tex and Wolfie teach me the basics of a good scare: surprising people. They show me how to hide and lurch, slink and slouch, slide and spook. My ghoulfriends and I don't speak. Instead, we snarl and growl. Amazingly, we all understand each other.



**Meet the monster makers:** Melanie Smith and Scott Clish are the official monster makeup artists. They supervise 35 makeup artists who apply scary makeup and prosthetics (masks made from foam latex) to the monsters. They transform more than 300 normal-looking people into spooktacular ghouls in about three hours.

Since they make a living creating monsters, they aren't afraid of scary movies, right? Wrong! After watching *Alien*, Melanie says, "I had to sleep with every light in the house on." *Poltergeist* gets Scott's spine a' shiverin'. "The movie doesn't have blood and guts and gore; it's the suspense that builds in your mind. And that's where true fear comes from," Scott says.

After being transformed into a VIM (Very Important Monster), I'm ready to go haunting! Happy Howl-o-ween!

# Ghoul School



**STEP ONE:** Melanie and Scott apply a white base to protect my skin. I look like Casper and get the urge to go a'spookin'.



**STEP TWO:** Melanie creates all the molds, including the Dragon Master.

Melanie loves designing new molds because "my brain goes wild and my imagination takes over," she says. The mold, made out of a high-density, high-heat concrete, is baked in an oven for seven hours.

**WARNING**  
Knott's Scary Farm  
is a major fright fest  
recommended for kids  
12 and older.

"The foam latex masks are much more comfortable than wearing a latex mask that you pull over your head," says

Scott. "These fit your skin, so they move with your facial expressions."

Here, Melanie and Scott glue the foam latex appliance to my face. I've now got a huge protruding forehead, and big snout and chin with horns sticking out. I feel like the Beast in *Beauty and the Beast*—I want to run into the night, howl at the moon and jump out from behind trees, scaring little kids.



**STEP THREE:** They add black makeup to create shadows and contours to my face, and a gross yellow tinge to my fangy teeth.



**STEP FOUR:** An outta-control black wig on my head and some slimy lime green boogers in my nose complete the look. My favorite part? The boogers glow in the dark! I'm gross and disgusting—and I love it! In just 45 minutes, I have been transformed into the Dragon Master—hear me roar!



# Fright Face

**By Kim Lockhart**

**Alyson Hannigan of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" shows you how to put your most fearful face forward.**

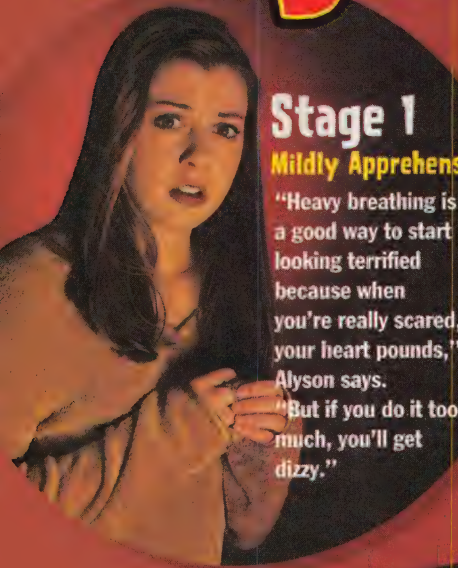
**P**laying the best bud of a vampire slayer can make for some nerve-racking nights—just ask Alyson Hannigan. As Willow Rosenberg on “Buffy the Vampire Slayer,” Alyson has spent many a night—including Halloween *and* Friday the 13th—filming scenes in a dark, spooky graveyard with actors decked out as vampires.

We figured she must be pretty good at looking totally terrified, and we were right! Here, Alyson demonstrates an expression for each stage of fear and gives you pointers on looking your most freaked out.



**Willow and Buffy (Sarah Michelle Gellar) discuss their least fave subject—vampires!**

# Fright Face

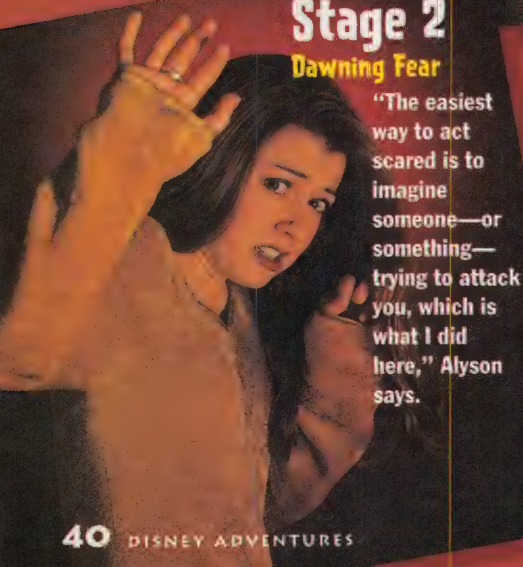


## Stage 1

### Mildly Apprehensive

"Heavy breathing is a good way to start looking terrified because when you're really scared, your heart pounds," Alyson says.

"But if you do it too much, you'll get dizzy."



## Stage 2

### Dawning Fear

"The easiest way to act scared is to imagine someone—or something—trying to attack you, which is what I did here," Alyson says.

## Stage 3

### Absolutely Afraid

"Screaming always helps you look more afraid."



## Alyson's Anxieties

**FAVE SCARY FLICK:** "Scream. I was terrified and laughing at the same time."

**SCARIEST SCHOOL LUNCH:** "Uhh, all of them."

**SCARIEST HAIRDO:** "I got a perm and my hair was stringy, curly and gross for two months."

**SCARIEST MOMENT EVER:** "I almost choked on my retainer once."

**VAMPIRE THEORY:** "My theory on vampires is—if they exist—I don't want to make them mad by saying I don't believe, because then they'll try to prove it. So sure, I believe in vampires."



## Stage 4

### Totally Terrified

"To look this scared, I thought of the big monster from our finale last season," Alyson says. "That thing was gross! It was whipping around, flinging gelatin slime everywhere, grabbing my leg. I had a couple of dreams about it afterward."

## AAAAHHHHH!

**O**ur ears are still ringing from Alyson's shattering shrieks. Here are her tips for a super scream:

- ▶ "Volume is key—the louder, the better."
- ▶ "Try to scream from your gut, not the back of your throat, because if you scream a lot, it'll get sore."
- ▶ "Try screaming in different keys. My screams are very high-pitched and piercing now."
- ▶ "Practice—but warn your parents first. My favorite place to scream is the graveyard where we film because it's quiet and you just know that people driving by are like, 'Oh, my gosh! What's going on over there?'"





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By Lambeth Hochwald

# Spooky America

**A** girl's ghost haunts a school. Phantom soldiers still fight the Civil War. Actors continue to rehearse long after they're dead. These are just a few of the spine-tingling stories we found when we visited the spookiest sites in the country. Read on and buckle up: Our eerie road trip is full of goose bumps!

John Finkbeiner (Illustration: Pages 42-43)



# America The Haunted

From Alaska to Wyoming, we've heard of restless spirits making mischief all over the place.

## **The Ghost With a Heart of Gold**

The town of Skagway, Alaska, still looks like it did in the 1800s, which must be comforting for the ghostly woman roaming around the Golden North Hotel. Legend has it her boyfriend died in an avalanche while panning for gold—and she's waiting for him to come back.

## **School Spirit**

If a teacher could give detention to a ghost, then little Harriet would be in big trouble. This kid spirit in Gorman, California, slams classroom doors and plays cards when she wants attention. Her grave lies beneath the Gorman School auditorium.

## **These Ghosts Have a Bone to Pick**

Visitors to Cheesman Park in Denver, Colorado, say they've heard moans and cries. No wonder. The 320-acre site sits on top of an old cemetery! In 1893, local officials dug up the graves to move the bodies—then mixed together some of the remains by accident.

## **Try Throwing a Dinner Party With These Guys Around**

The Governor's House in Dover, Delaware, shelters several spooks. One of them rattles his chains. Another one likes to sip wine right out of the glasses on the table!

## **Room Service We Can Do Without**

Some guests never know when to leave. The ghost at the Jameson Restaurant, Saloon and Hotel in Wallace, Idaho, turns fans on and off, plays with the shower faucets and sometimes locks guests in their rooms! Staffers think the spirit belongs to a woman named Maggie, who often stayed at the hotel earlier this century. She died in the 1930s, but it looks like she forgot to check out!

## **Do You Have Any Books By Ghost Writers?**

If you don't see the "Lady in Gray" at the main library in Evansville, Indiana, you just might smell her. The librarians say they often catch a whiff of perfume even when nobody else is around.

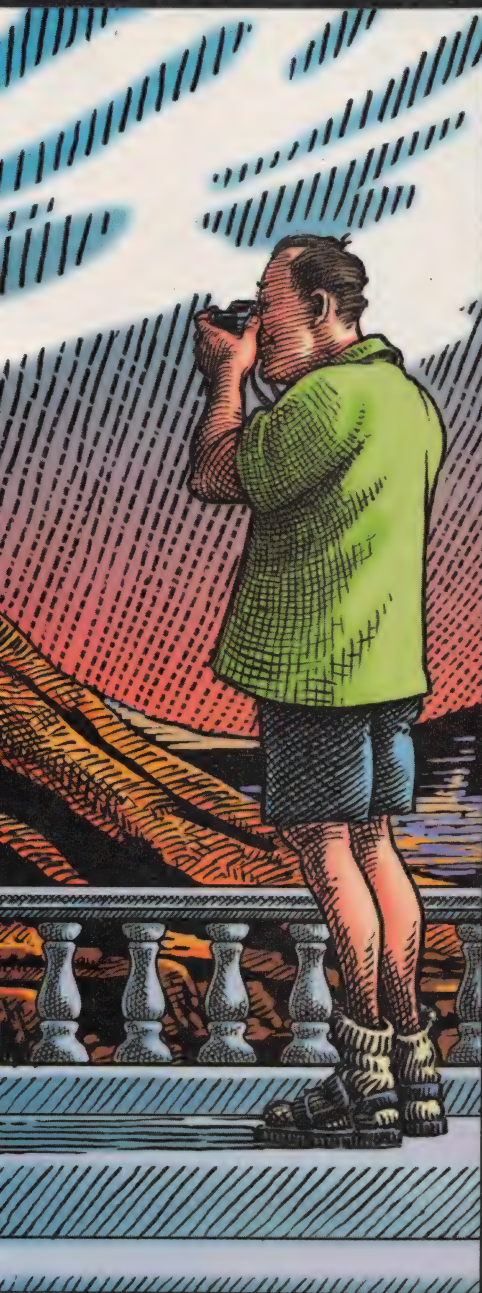












## **Give These Ghosts a Standing Ovation**

At the Grand Opera House in Dubuque, Iowa, phantom actors are often heard rehearsing their lines on the empty stage. Sometimes, they even fool with the lights during live performances.

## **Auto Pilot for Hire**

In 1968, a young Navy pilot died after crashing into Hangar 43 at the Johnson County Industrial Airport in Olathe, Kansas. Today, workers at the hangar swear they hear footsteps and a young man whistling.

## **No Wonder This Spirit Is Restless**

Who makes all those scary appearances at Mammoth Cave National Park in Kentucky? Most people think it's Floyd Collins. Poor Floyd died in 1925 after being trapped under a rock for two weeks while rescue workers tried in vain to free him.

## **Buried, But Not Out Of Business**

People came from miles around to New Orleans, Louisiana, in the 19th century to buy the magic potions and strange ointments made by the mysterious Marie Laveau. She died in 1881, but she still attracts visitors by hovering near her grave.

## **We'd Hate to See The First Mate**

You might want to jump ship when touring the *U.S.S. Constellation* in Baltimore, Maryland. The ghost of a former cabin boy has been seen walking a lonely vigil down the gun deck—and visitors sometimes smell gunsmoke!





### Don't Bother Asking for A Wake-Up Call

A ghost at the Hotel Savoy in Kansas City, Missouri, likes to take showers and listen to the radio! Some people think it's the spirit of a woman who used to live in one of the rooms.

### If These Walls Could Talk

Ghost hunters say the Spy House museum in Port Monmouth, New Jersey, has more spirits than they can count. The old inn was used for spying by George Washington and his troops during the Revolutionary War, and later it became a pirate base.



## **Would You Like a Light, Mr. President?**

Former U.S. President James Garfield haunts his old house in Hiram, Ohio. The people who live there now say lights and faucets turn on and off all the time, doors swing open, and the house fills with cigar smoke—even though nobody smokes.

## **And the Grammy Award For Best Dead Performance Goes to...**

Listen closely. The music of the old traveling western shows still floats across the prairie near Ponca City in Oklahoma. In the early 1900s, the 101 Ranch attracted well-known performers like Will Rogers. Now the ranch is long gone, but nearby residents say the eerie sound of piano music remains.

## **Please Set the Table—Again**

Workers at the Crier in the Country Restaurant in Glen Mills, Pennsylvania, sometimes have to do their chores twice. That's because a playful ghost loves to pile furniture, dishes and napkins together after the tables have already been set.

## **Or Maybe She Just Woke Up on the Wrong Side Of the Grave**

People say they've heard moaning near the 1892 grave of Mercy L. Brown, buried in the Chestnut Hill Cemetery in Exeter, Rhode Island. Why can't Mercy rest in peace? Probably because the townspeople dug up her body and removed her heart to see if she was a vampire!

## **Looks Like the Sheriff Forgot to Hang Up His Badge**

Who's that tall shadowy cowboy hanging out at the Bullock Hotel in Deadwood, South Dakota? The locals say it's the ghost of "Old Seth" Bullock, the first sheriff of this Wild West town. Guess Old Seth still thinks he's in charge.

## **Hey, the War Is Over**

Where are those strange moaning sounds and eerie gunshots coming from at the Stones River Battlefield National Park in Tennessee? Are phantom Civil War soldiers still shooting it out?

## **We Won't Cross That Bridge When We Come to It**

Feeling adventurous? After a day on the ski slopes in Stowe, Vermont, check out Emily's Bridge, said to be haunted by the ghost of a woman who jumped to her death in the 1920s. The covered bridge is also a favorite hangout for local teens.

## **Step Right Up and See The Elephant Ghosts!**

You like the circus? Folks in Baraboo, Wisconsin, say they've spotted the ghosts of elephants from the days when the traveling Ringling Brothers show was stationed there.

## **This Lucky Ghost Gets Its Very Own Room**

Members of the St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Cheyenne, Wyoming, were so convinced they had a poltergeist on their hands, they built a room for it in the late 1920s. And what did the ghost do? Moved in, of course! ■



# THE TALE OF

Nearly 3,000 Disney Adventures readers entered our 1997 Scary Stories Contest. Here's the winning entry—a chilling tale of a most unusual reptilian ghost.

By Levi Reppert, 11  
Lakeland, Florida



Deep in the marshes of southern Florida, there are stories of the dreaded alligator. The worst story isn't about a real alligator, but an alligator ghost. It is said, back about a hundred years ago, a group of settlers were passing through the marshes of Florida. The settlers already knew about alligators and how they could drag a six-foot man to his death, but until now they never saw alligators as big as the ones in southern Florida.

Almost every day the settlers had to chase away alligators, sometimes even kill them. There was one alligator in

particular, the biggest of them all, which the settlers called Brutis. He always was the starter of trouble. Brutis would lead the other gators into the village to grab unsuspecting people. Finally the settlers thought they would have to get rid of Brutis, and so they did. After they killed Brutis they floated him down the swamp canal, and Brutis was gone forever. Or so they thought.

Chris had never been scared of alligators, but after reading this story at the library, he suddenly was scared out of his wits at the sight of an alligator, even if it wasn't more than six inches long. One day Chris's friend Josh took a rubber alligator to school and put it in Chris's desk. As soon as Chris saw it, he grabbed it and threw it out the window.

Michael Gougeon



# BRUTIS'S WOODS

While walking home from school one day, Chris came face to face with William, or "Thug," the school bully. Thug dared Chris to wander into Brutis's Woods. Everybody knew Brutis's Woods was the scariest place in the Everglades. It was home to Brutis, the ghost alligator.

The next day Thug went with Chris to Brutis's Woods. While walking through the woods, Chris saw a bluish light up ahead. As they got closer, the bluish light, as quick as a bullet, came toward them and grabbed Thug.

Chris ran screaming through the woods. Just as he was about to get out of the woods, a large bluish tail swooshed by and tripped him. Chris was then carried away and soon found himself the only human in a group of large alligators. Just as

Chris was ready to run, Brutis lumbered into the clearing. Brutis then let out a couple of loud bellows and came over to Chris.

Brutis went to Chris and cut his own arm and Chris's arm with his claw. Brutis then took his arm and dropped blood into Chris's gash. Chris suddenly felt himself changing from a normal human boy to a bloodthirsty alligator.

From then on Chris was forced to hunt the woods with his creator, Brutis, until the next unsuspecting kid walked by.

The police finally found Thug's body lying in a swamp near Brutis's

Woods. They knew right away an alligator had attacked him. Since then, many kids have disappeared. What's weird is more and more alligators are showing up.

But now, I guess, Chris isn't so scared of alligators after all. ■

## Scary Story Finalists

We would also like to congratulate our ten finalists:

- Fernando Amaya, 10, Baldwin Park, CA
- Heidi Chambers, 14, La Palma, CA
- Lindsay Hardy, 13, Louisville, KY
- Deana Lynn Johnston, 12, Brooklyn Park, MN
- Viktorija N. Kramer, 13, Bogota, NJ
- James Lersch, 10, Hughesville, PA
- Robert O'Brien, 14, Gloucester City, NJ
- Khandyce Smith, 13, Maskogee, OK
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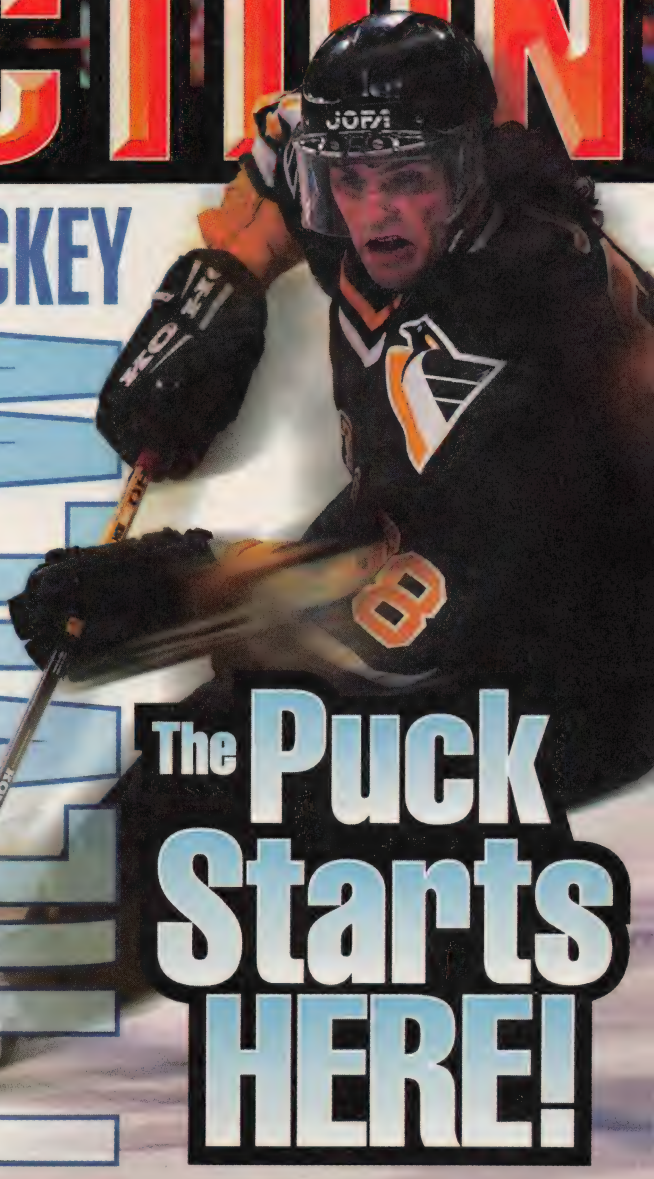
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# ACTION

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# Great skates

By Kim Lockhart  
and Craig Warner

The quest for the cup has begun! This month, 26 teams of the National Hockey League started skating through their rough and tumble, 82-game season. Come next June, only one of them will lay claim to the championship—and the Stanley Cup trophy that comes with it.

As the season unfolds, check out these star players. They're the best of the best.

**B**ryan Berard, defenseman, New York Islanders. After becoming the first teenage Rookie of the Year since Mario Lemieux, Bryan is the Isles' hottest commodity.

**Dominik Hasek, goaltender, Buffalo Sabres.**

He's not only a three-time Vezina Trophy winner as the league's best netminder, but also the first goalie named league MVP

in 35 years. Just try to get a puck past him!

**Jaromir Jagr, right wing, Pittsburgh Penguins.**

With the retirement of Super Mario, the Pens are looking at Jaromir to fill his skates.

**Mark Messier**



Puck stopper Dominik Hasek

## Going for the Gold!

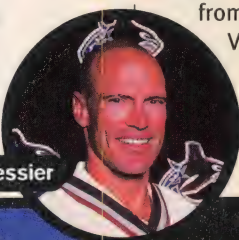
For the first time in its history, the NHL will shut down for two weeks in February! Why? So players can participate in the Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan. The '98 Games will also feature the debut of women's hockey as a medal sport.

**Mark Messier, center, Vancouver Canucks.** Over the summer, he split from the New York Rangers.

Vancouver hopes he's just the centerman to lead the Canucks back to the Finals, where they lost—to the Rangers—in 1994.



Bryan Berard



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Detroit's Wings are

# Bruisers and Losers

**Philadelphia Flyers.** The powerhouse Flyers steamrolled to the Finals, then got swept by super Detroit. With a new coach and the sour taste of defeat still in their mouths, look for Eric Lindros and his Legion of Doom to seek revenge!

**These teams have the players—and the passion—to go all the way.**

A photograph of two Detroit Red Wings players celebrating with the Stanley Cup. The player on the right is holding the cup high and shouting, while the player on the left looks on. They are both wearing white jerseys with red wings. The background is a blurred ice rink.

**The champion Red Wings still have the cup...for now.**

**The Stars  
should shine.**

last season's team back—and the addition of goalie Eddie “the Eagle” Belfour—the Stars are set to shine.

**Detroit Red Wings.** After 42 lo-o-o-ng years of losing, the Wings finally won it all last season. Coach Scotty

<b>Oct. 1</b>	<b>Regular season opens</b>
<b>Oct. 8</b>	<b>The Detroit Red Wings raise their 1997 Stanley Cup banner</b>
<b>Jan. 17</b>	<b>SuperSkills competition and Heroes of Hockey game in Vancouver</b>
<b>Jan. 18</b>	<b>All-Star Game in Vancouver</b>
<b>Feb. 8-24</b>	<b>Olympic break</b>
<b>April 19</b>	<b>Regular season ends</b>
<b>April 22</b>	<b>Stanley Cup playoffs begin</b>
<b>June 24</b>	<b>Last possible Finals game</b>



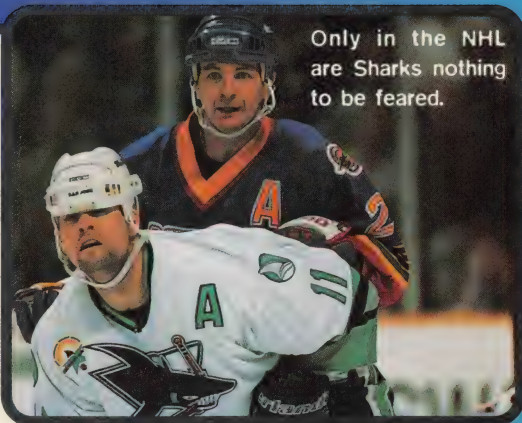
## Cellar Dwellers

Don't expect to see these teams lifting the Stanley Cup anytime soon. Instead, look for them at the bottom of the standings.

### Carolina Hurricanes.

Known as the Hartford Whalers last season, this team sank to the lower depths of the league. Now it has a new city, a new name and new uniforms. But the forecast still looks gloomy for the Hurricanes, whose chances of winning *haven't* changed.

**San Jose Sharks.** Sharp uniforms do not make a winning team. Let's face it—the Sharks have



Only in the NHL are Sharks nothing to be feared.

lost their bite. But then again, have they ever had one? With an aging team and a fourth new coach in three years, don't expect any surprise attacks from these sharks.

**Toronto Maple Leafs.** Last season, they traded fan favorite Doug Gilmour to New Jersey. Then the hometown fans booed veteran defenseman Larry Murphy so much that he was traded (to Detroit, where he won it all). So it's no wonder these Leafs fell...to the bottom of the Central Division, where they're likely to remain.

## Puck Particulars

1. Each NHL team uses nearly 200,000 pucks per season.
2. Sixty-eight percent of all pro players have lost at least one tooth in a game.
3. Zambonis can travel at a blazing 10 miles an hour.
4. The Stanley Cup weighs 36 pounds and has more than 1,700 names engraved on it.
5. NHL ice is chilled to 16 degrees. Pucks are also frozen so they won't bounce.

Zamboni: Talk about slow motion!



## Skate the Web

For the latest on what's happening in hockey, check out the NHL's home page ([www.nhl.com](http://www.nhl.com)). In addition to up-to-date stats and scores, you'll find links to 14 team sites, plus live radio game broadcasts.

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## GORDON



When it comes to stock car racing, nobody is hotter than Jeff Gordon. Give him a splash of gas and he's the fastest thing on wheels—and usually the first to cross the finish line.

**H**ow fast do you usually drive on the track?

"It varies. On a two-mile oval, I average about 180 miles per hour. On a half-mile oval, I do 85 to 90 miles per hour."

**You're in constant radio contact with your pit crew during a race. What do you talk about?**

"Pit strategy, usually—whether we'll change two tires, four tires or just do a gas and go. If you do four tires, it's more time in the pit, but it maximizes your speed and grip on the track. Two tires is quicker in the pit, but you lose speed. And we can do what we call a splash of gas—two or three seconds to get a splash of gas."

**What's it like to be in that car for a whole race?**

"It's quite a workout. Your whole body is so tense for three or four hours. You'll get real cramps if you don't stretch beforehand. And you need to drink a lot of fluids."

**What do you do to stay in shape?**

"During the winter, I work out heavily with weights and I pay attention to diet. During the season, I try to do push-ups or carry weights on the road. Or I ride a bicycle."

**Movie star Chris O'Donnell has called you the Michael Jordan of racing. How does that make you feel?**

"I thought it was funny. I was surprised he even knew who I was."

**When you're off the racetrack, do you still like to drive fast?**

"What I do on the racetrack is my work."

David Taylor/Allsport (top); George Tiedemann/Sports Illustrated/©Time Inc. (left)

When I'm away from the track, I take it easy. If I'm running late and I'm in a hurry, I probably can make up more time than the average person. But I don't like to do that."

**Do you ever let anyone else drive when you're in the car?**

"I'm not a great passenger. I like to be in control. I almost always drive."

—JONATHAN MAYO

"I've had serious accidents, but no serious injuries," says Jeff. "You don't get to this level without your share of spills."

## BEST MOVES

# Life in the Pits

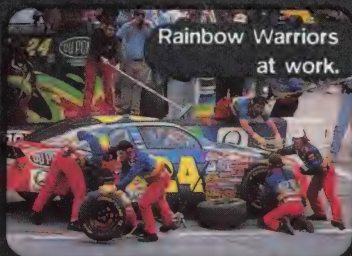
**J**eff's pit crew, the Rainbow Warriors, works nearly as fast as his number 24 Chevrolet Monte Carlo. When Jeff makes a pit stop (he averages four stops per race), the Warriors jump into action, gassing up the car, cleaning the windshield and changing tires. Here's how Jeff handles a pit stop.

**1.** "While I'm on the racetrack, the crew will tell me on the radio, 'Next time by, pit.'"

**2.** "When I drive back toward the pits, I have to slam on the brakes, downshift and limit my speed to 55 miles per hour."

**3.** "When I get to our space, I have to stop the car in the right spot. Then I can relax for 17, 18 seconds. Sometimes I drink something while they're jacking up the car."

**4.** "When they're jacking up the left side, I put the car into gear and push in the clutch. As soon as they release the jack, I'm gone."



**5.** "I have to hold pit road speed—55 mph—until the end of pit road. Then I can hit the gas and I'm gone."



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TECHNOMANIA

# Extreme Techno

By Gina Pera and Jason R. Rich

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TECHNOMANIA

# Hot Games

**D.A.** reporters have been snooping around multimedia studios again. Everywhere we went, we found programmers and artists working their digit-heads off, eating cold pizza at 2 a.m. and churning out these cool new games and techno amusements. So what are you waiting for?

## Start playing!

### Riven

Explore an amazingly lifelike island environment while searching for Atrus' wife in this long-awaited sequel to *Myst*. (Windows/Mac)

### Oddworld: Abe's Oddysee

Help Mukodon slave Abe escape and rescue his entire race. This game stands out with a

detailed story, dazzling graphics and the cool way characters can talk to each other. (Windows/PlayStation)

### Nightmare Ned

Ned is an 8-year-old with an overactive imagination. Enter his wacky dreamworld and help him solve spooky puzzles and defeat

monsters, like the cavity creatures at the dentist's office. (Windows)

### Music Maker

Borrow "samples" from several music styles (pop,



rock, techno) and blend them all into your own arrangement. You'll sound like a pro! (Windows)

### Grossology

Grab your barf bag and head to the lab: It's time to learn all about the human body. Well, mainly the icky stuff—like why feet get smelly. (Windows/Mac)

### The Curse of Monkey Island

Help Guybrush Threepwood defeat demon-pirate LeChuck. This game's like being in a cartoon filled with clever puzzles and funny characters. (Windows)

### Jedi Knight: Dark Forces II

Star Wars meets *Doom*. As Kyle Katarn, explore more than 21 huge levels and encounter powerful enemies. (Windows)

### SimCity 3000

Design, build and maintain an entire city—in 3-D! (Windows)

## Tech Girls

**G**ames for girls are all the rage. These got our attention.

### Smarty

Click with Mimi Smartypants and her fun, funky aunt. Their hip town is full of surprises. (Windows/Mac)

### Zero Zero

Time-travel through Paris with tomboy Pinkée LeBrun. Très cool. (Windows/Mac)

### Mystery of Falls Church

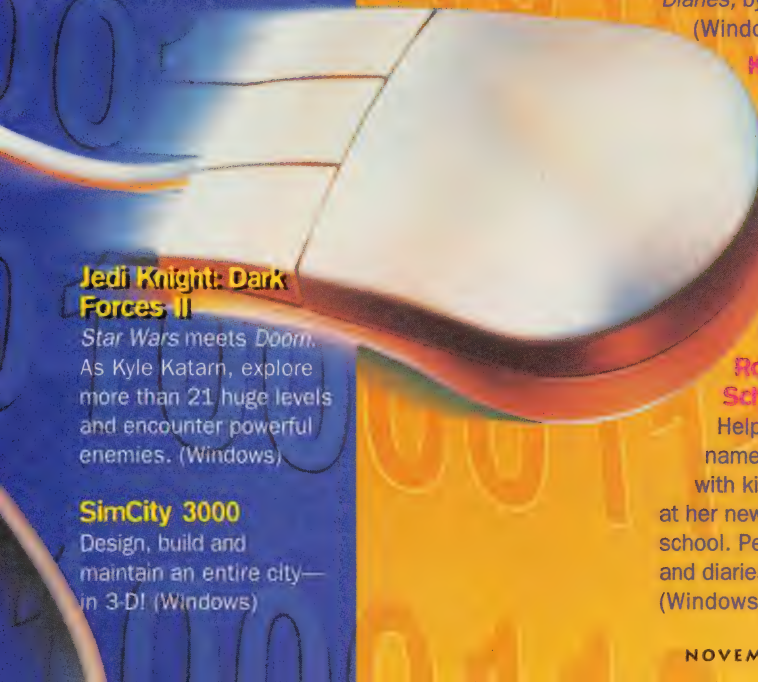
This *Myst*-like adventure game is based on the book series *The Vampire Diaries*, by L.J. Smith. (Windows)

### Kristi Yamaguchi's Fantasy Ice Skating

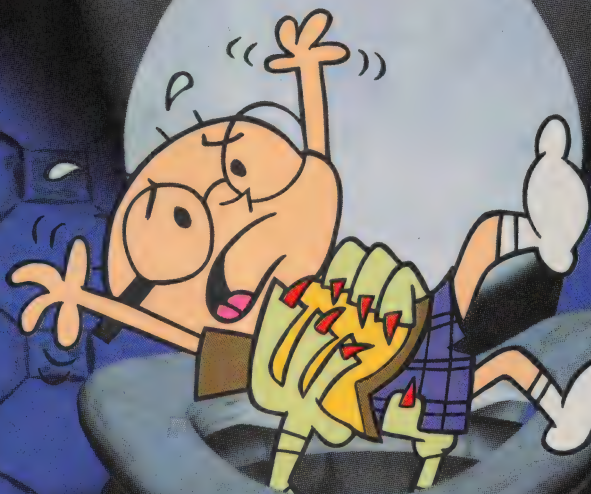
Develop your own routines, then watch Kristi perform them. (Windows/Mac)

### Rockett's New School

Help a nervous girl named Rockett deal with kids and classes at her new junior high school. Peek into lockers and diaries, too! (Windows/Mac)





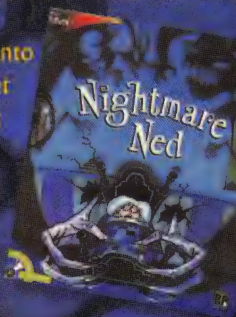


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## Virtual Pets

# Creature Feature

**We beamed up Lieutenant Dax from "Star Trek" to investigate the world of computer pets.**

On "Star Trek: Deep Space Nine," science officer Dax explores new life forms—which is fitting, because she's a strange life form herself. Her body acts as host to a 300-year-old symbiont that lives inside her.

So we asked Terry Farrell, the actress who plays Dax, to help us examine the new *Creatures* CD-ROM. What did she learn?

"*Creatures* is totally amazing!" Farrell reports. It isn't a game—it's cutting-edge technology called "artificial life."

Here's how it works: From digital eggs, you

hatch furry life forms called Norns on your computer screen. No two Norns are alike. Their actions depend on how you train them.

Farrell's young Norn, named Max, lives in her laptop. She loves teaching him to speak, play games and explore his world. Her biggest challenge: training Max without spanking him.

One time, Farrell spanked when she meant to tickle (you use the mouse to do both). "I felt so bad when he said 'Oww' and made a sad face," she says.

**C**heck out the official *Creatures* Web site (<http://www.creatures.mindscape.com>). For more animal adventures, try these other programs:

- *Fin Fin on Teo, the Magic Planet*  
Interact with a friendly half-dolphin, half-bird creature. (Windows)
- *Dogz II and Catz II*  
Play with and train virtual dogs or cats on your monitor. (Windows)
- *Tamagotchi* CD-ROM  
These portable pets can now live in your computer. (Windows)

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# Kids' Picks



**D.A.'s Techno-Maniacs**  
reveal their all-time  
favorite games.

**Daniel Edelman, 11,  
New York, New York**

**Game: The Lost  
Mind of Dr. Brain**

"When a lab  
experiment  
backfired, Dr.  
Brain's

knowledge got sucked  
into his lab rat's brain.  
To get his mind back, you  
need to solve every puzzle  
Dr. Brain ever solved."  
(Windows/Mac)

**Meghan Grammer, 15,  
Buffalo, New York**

**Game: Yoda Stories**

"The mission is different  
every time. I like battling  
through Stormtroopers,  
then finding the switches  
to open doors." (Windows)

**Kristin Nichols, 14,  
Melbourne, Florida**

**Game: King's Quest 7**

"Solve lots of fun puzzles  
while trying to reunite the  
queen and the princess.  
The colorful graphics are  
incredible. It's like a  
cartoon, but you control  
the action. And it's  
nonviolent." (Windows/Mac)

**Scott Ross, 12, Nevada, Missouri**

**Game: Warcraft II:  
Tides of Darkness**

"People who like role-playing  
games will like this. You're  
a medieval lord who fights  
either Orcs or Humans.

Your weapons are dragons,  
battleships and death  
knights." (Windows/Mac)

**Allen Tran, 12, Chicago, Illinois**  
**Game: Jet Moto**

"You ride a jet-powered  
bike over awesome 3-D  
surfaces, from muddy  
swamps to sandy beaches.  
It'll make your heart pump."  
(PlayStation)



# Home Sweet Home

**Jakob** Nielsen is on a mission to make computers easier to use. He works at a big computer company, Sun Microsystems, where he has a cool title: Distinguished Engineer. If you're thinking of creating a home page on the Web, check out Jakob's tips for outta-site sites:

**Break It Up:** Putting everything on one page will take forever to download. Instead, make your first page a list of links to your other pages.

**Look Ahead:** Provide a hint of what users will get if they click on a link—for example, "Drawings from my vacation at Yosemite."

**Test It (and Shut Up):**

Have some friends test your site (without your help) to see if they can figure it out. If they can't, ask them where they had trouble. Then fix it.

## Do It Yourself

It's easier than ever to create your own Web site.

**Easy:** Soup up your cyber pad with special effects.

Microsoft's Front Page 97 lets you design like a pro, even though it will take a while to master.

**Easier:** Try a simpler program built just for kids, like Web Workshop. Download a free demo (<http://www.vividus.com>).

**Easiest:** Some Web sites let you create and post your own page—for free! Check out <http://www.familycentral.com>

—Joe Panepinto

# YOUR FAVORITE PART OF D.A. IS NOW A COOL NEW BOOK SERIES

FACT OR FICTION? TAKE A SNEAK PEAK AT THE SECRET  
DISNEY ADVENTURES FILES AND FIND OUT THE TRUTH

## From the GHOST FILES...

- Contrary to what you might expect, you won't find many ghosts in cemeteries.
- Ghost researchers say that eighty percent of the time ghosts have a purpose for making an appearance—usually to communicate a message, like warning of impending danger or to give information about hidden money or mysterious deaths.
- Researchers have found that most apparitions are seen by people who are lying down.

## From the UFO FILES...

- July is the peak month for UFO sightings and three in the morning is considered prime UFO time.
- If you discover a crop circle, you can actually send a sample of the soil to a scientist in Pennsylvania for analysis.
- State Route 350 in Nevada has been renamed "Extraterrestrial Highway" because it is the road to nearby Area 51.

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## OUT OF THIS WORLD CONTEST GET YOUR STORY PUBLISHED IN D.A.!

Have you or someone you know ever seen visitors from out of this world? Tell your terrifying tale and it could get published in Disney Adventures Magazine!

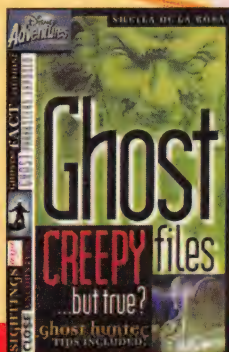
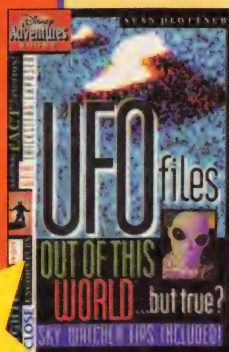
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Send your entry by December 31, 1997. You must be at least 7 years old but not more than 14 years old by December 31, 1997, to enter.

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Birth Date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

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Your signature \_\_\_\_\_

One of your parents' or guardians' signatures on the line indicated below.

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## OUT OF THIS WORLD CONTEST RULES

### NO PURCHASE NECESSARY

**1. HOW TO ENTER:** Staple the completed entry form, or a 3 x 5 card with your full name, address (city, state, or province and zip or mail code), daytime phone number (with area code), and your date of birth, to the upper left corner of the first page of your story and mail it, postage prepaid, to DISNEY ADVENTURES/Out of this World Contest, P. O. Box 864, New York, NY 10113-0864. All entries must be postmarked by December 31, 1997.

(Mechanically reproduced entry forms are acceptable.) The story must be true and should be no longer than 250 words. Winners will be chosen on the basis of creativity and originality.

**2. ENTRY LIMITATIONS:** Only one entry per person. Open only to children between the ages of 7 and 14, as of December 31, 1997, who are legal residents of the U.S. (excluding its territories, possessions, overseas military installations and commonwealth) or Canada (excluding Quebec), and are not employees of Disney Magazine Publishing, Inc. (the "Sponsor"), its parent or affiliated companies, the advertising, promotional, or fulfillment agencies of any of them, nor members of their immediate families. Sponsor is not responsible for printing errors or inaccurate, incomplete, stolen, lost, illegible, mutilated, postage-due, misdirected, delayed, or late entries or mail.

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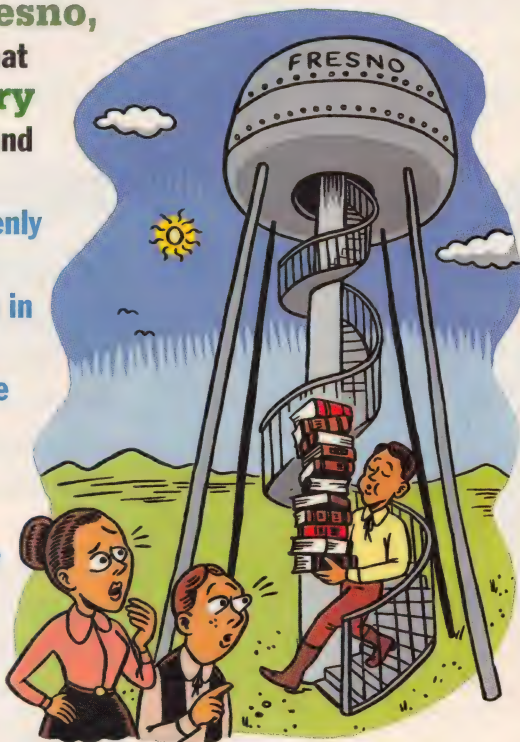
**6. PRIZE:** One (1) Grand Prize: Winner receives publication of his/her story in the June issue of Disney Adventures. The prize will be awarded.

## WEIRD YET TRUE

# "Check Out the Water Pressure—And Some Books, Too"

In 1894, Chicago architect **George Mayer** built a water tower in **Fresno, California**, that included a **library** on its **second** and **third** floors.

(**Mayer** mistakenly thought that **all** cities stored books in their **water towers** because that's where **Chicago** stashed book donations after the **Great Fire of 1871**.) The Fresno tower library was **never used**.



contains germ-killing substances.

## Scientists say dog spit



**Weird  
Yet True**

## A Crater in One

As far as **scientists** know, **golf** is the only **sport** that has **ever** been played away from **Earth**. In **1971**, astronaut **Alan Shepard Jr.** hit a ball **220 yards** on the **moon**.



## There's No Business Like Crow Business

**Listen up!** You can hear crows **crying** in lots of movies. But crow **experts** say they can **actually** tell where a movie was **filmed** because crows in the **East** have different accents than crows in the **West!**

—Column by Sheila De La Rosa

**Champion rope jumpers**



**can clear seven jumps a second!**

Ward Sutton

# PUZZLES

## RAMBLING RACE

Only one of these four creepy racers can speed all the way to the finish line. Find the winner and draw his course from start to finish. Bonus: Can you find nine hot rods hidden throughout the maze?



Robert Piersanti

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# PUZZLES

## Eye Bogglers

Can you recognize these common items this close up? Try to figure out what they are, and put your answers in the boxes.



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# THE EARLY BIRD GETS THE WORM

Which one of these birds  
woke up first this morning?  
Choose a bird body, then  
follow the maze to see if  
you're right!



Mark Martin

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# puzzles



## Height of Confusion

The good news: Martin has just scaled the world's tallest building. The bad news: The thin air way up there is making him dizzy and lightheaded. Can you be a hero by finding your way to the top and helping him back down?

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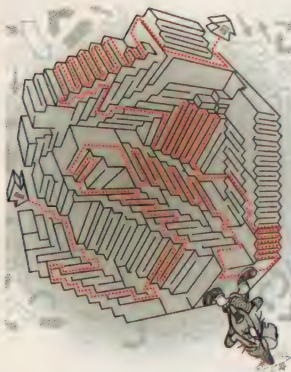
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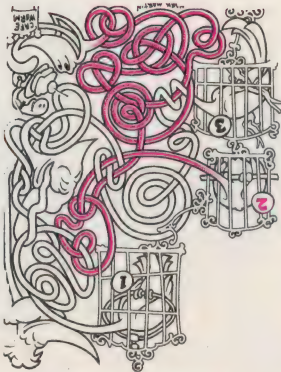
# ANSWERS

1. Frisbees
2. Fute
3. Match head
4. Toothpicks in plastic container
5. 35mm film
6. Paint brushes

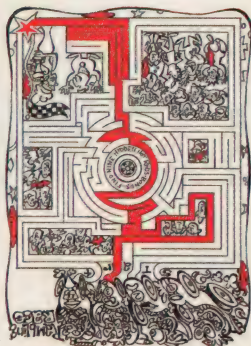
## EYE BOGLERS



HEIGHT OF CONFUSION



THE EARLY BIRD



RAMBLING RACE

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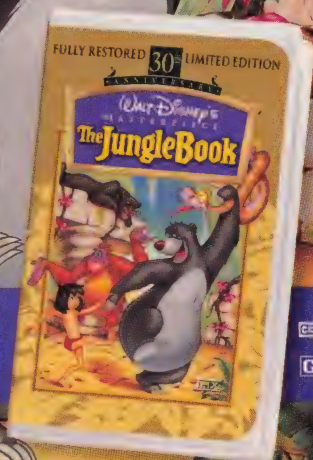
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# COMICS ZONE



WELCOME TO THIS MONTH'S COMICS ZONE

A black cat crosses the sidewalk. A pumpkin gleams in a window. There's a snap in the air...and a chill in your heart. These signs can only mean it's Halloween!

This year, we have two Halloween stories.

**D & A** are back, and they're about to find out whether the old lady who lives in the Darkwyne mansion is just a harmless eccentric...or something much more dangerous.

Next, **Nightmare Ned** must survive the horror of having the worst costume in class! (This is Ned's first appearance in the Zone, by the way.)

So light your jack-o'-lantern, grab some candy and turn the page so the chills can begin.

*Heidi*



Let me know what you think about Comics Zone. Write to me: Heidi MacDonald  
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# Disney's **THE JUNGLE BOOK** *in* **THE GREAT MONKEY TOSS**

ONE DAY IN  
THE JUNGLE...

**skreeh**  
**skreeh!**

HEY, BALOO,  
DOES KING LOUIE  
EVER LEAVE THAT  
OLD TEMPLE?

SURE HE  
DOES. THAT  
IS, I GUESS  
HE DOES.

JZ 331

ACTUALLY,  
I DUNNO!

HOW DID  
HE  
BECOME  
KING,  
ANYWAY?

HOW'D HE--? Y'MEAN  
TO TELL ME YOU'VE  
NEVER HEARD ABOUT  
THE GREAT MONKEY  
TOSS?

THE  
GREAT  
WHAT?

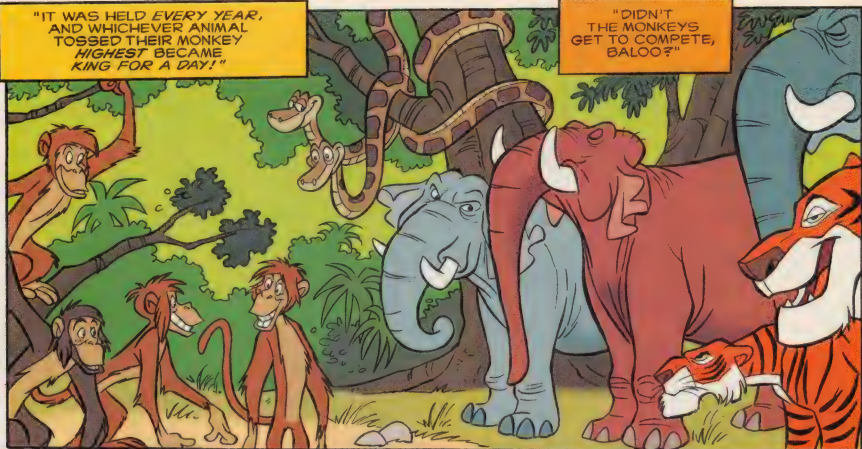
LONG AGO  
THERE WAS  
A BIG CONTEST  
KNOWN AS  
THE GREAT  
MONKEY  
TOSS...

OH MAN, SIDDOWN,  
LI'L BRITCHES! IT'S TIME  
OL' BALOO GAVE YOU  
A LESSON IN JUNGLE  
HISTORY!

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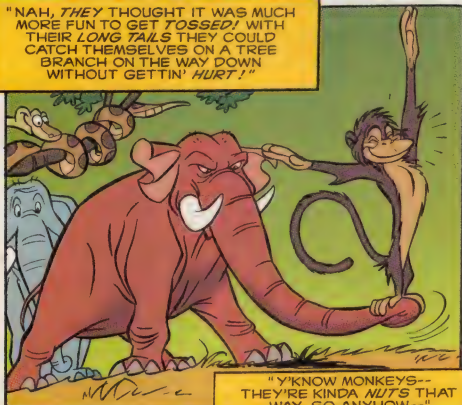
"IT WAS HELD EVERY YEAR,  
AND WHICHEVER ANIMAL  
TOSSED THEIR MONKEY  
HIGHEST BECAME  
KING FOR A DAY!"

"DIDN'T  
THE MONKEYS  
GET TO COMPETE,  
BALOO?"



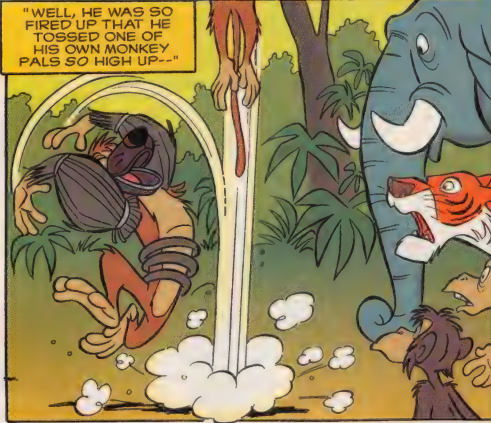
"NAH, THEY THOUGHT IT WAS MUCH  
MORE FUN TO GET *TOSSED!* WITH  
THEIR *LONG TAILS* THEY COULD  
CATCH THEMSELVES ON A TREE  
BRANCH ON THE WAY DOWN  
WITHOUT GETTIN' *HURT!*"

"--ONE YEAR THERE WAS  
A *MONKEY* WHO WANTED TO  
COMPETE! SO HE *DISGUISED*  
HIMSELF LIKE A *BEAR*... OF  
ALL THE NERVE..."

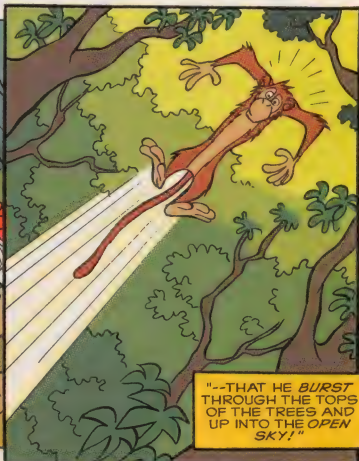


"Y'KNOW MONKEYS--  
THEY'RE KINDA *MUTS* THAT  
WAY, SO ANYHOW--"

"WELL, HE WAS SO  
FIRED UP THAT HE  
TOSSED ONE OF  
HIS OWN MONKEY  
PALS SO HIGH UP--"

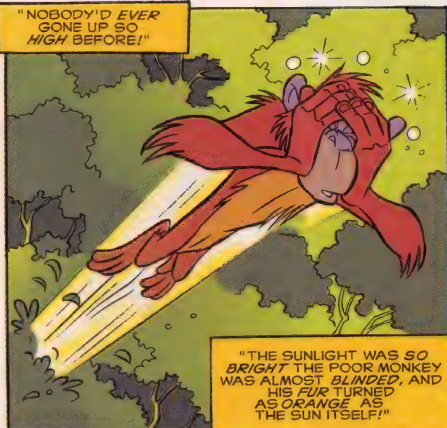


"--THAT HE *BURST*  
THROUGH THE TOPS  
OF THE TREES AND  
UP INTO THE OPEN  
SKY!"





"NOBODY'D EVER  
GONE UP SO  
HIGH BEFORE!"



"THE SUNLIGHT WAS SO  
BRIGHT THE POOR MONKEY  
WAS ALMOST BLINDED, AND  
HIS FUR TURNED  
AS ORANGE AS  
THE SUN ITSELF!"

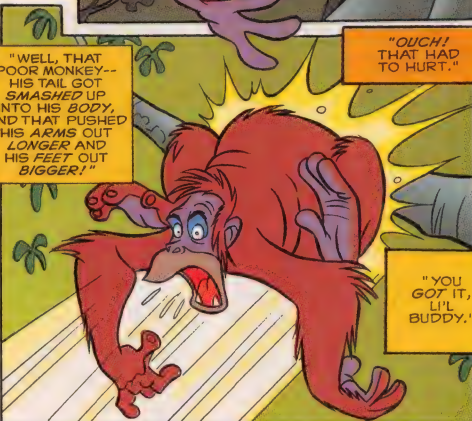
"AS THE MONKEY FELL  
BACK DOWN, HE GRABBED  
A TREE BRANCH WITH  
HIS TAIL, BUT SINCE HE  
WAS FALLING SO FAST,  
HIS TAIL STRETCHED!"



"HE GOT JERKED  
BACK UP INTO  
THE VERY BRANCH  
HE'D GRABBED!"



"WELL, THAT  
POOR MONKEY--  
HIS TAIL GOT  
SMASHED UP  
INTO HIS BODY,  
AND THAT PUSHED  
HIS ARMS OUT  
LONGER AND  
HIS FEET OUT  
BIGGER!"



"OUCH!  
THAT HAD  
TO HURT."

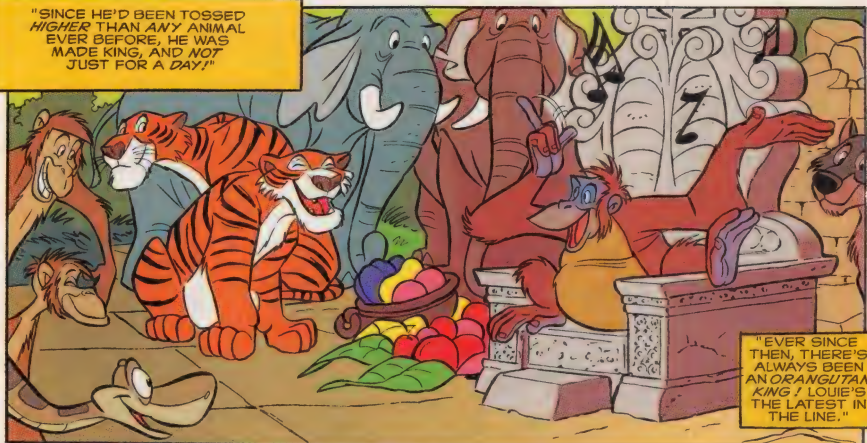
"YOU  
GOT IT,  
I'LL  
BUDDY."

"WELL, WHEN THAT LITTLE MONKEY  
FINALLY LANDED, HE DIDN'T LOOK MUCH  
LIKE HIS PALS ANYMORE! HE DIDN'T ACT  
LIKE ONE, EITHER. HE LOVED TO  
DANCE AND SING!"



"HE WAS THE VERY  
FIRST ORANGUTAN!"

"SINCE HE'D BEEN TOSSED  
HIGHER THAN ANY ANIMAL  
EVER BEFORE, HE WAS  
MADE KING, AND NOT  
JUST FOR A DAY!"



"EVER SINCE  
THEN, THERE'S  
ALWAYS BEEN  
AN ORANGUTAN  
KING! LOUIE'S  
THE LATEST IN  
THE LINE."



WHAT'S A MATTER,  
KID? YOU DON'T  
BELIEVE ME?

I THINK  
YOU'RE FULL OF  
BANANAS!



IS THAT SO? WELL,  
IF YOU'RE SO SMART THEN WHY  
DON'T YOU GO AHEAD AND TELL ME  
WHY ELEPHANTS HAVE SUCH  
BIG SCHNOZOLAS, HMM?

I DON'T  
KNOW THAT!

WELL,  
I DO!



AREN'T  
YOU GONNA  
TELL ME?

NAH, YOU  
DON'T WANNA  
HEAR.

YES, I DO!  
C'MON, BALOO,  
TELL ME!



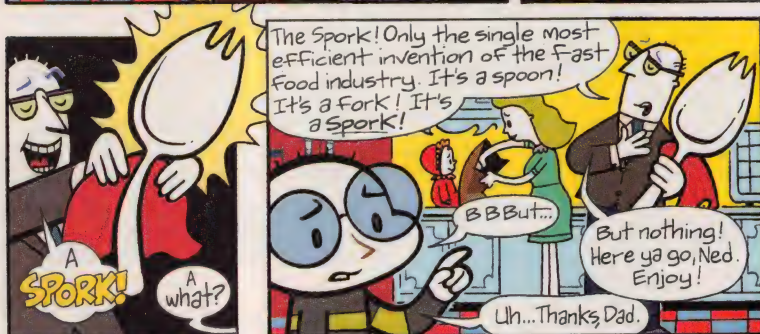
WEEELL...  
OKAY.

ONCE THERE WAS  
THIS ELEPHANT, SEE,  
AND ONE DAY HE  
SNEEZED SO HARD...

**END**



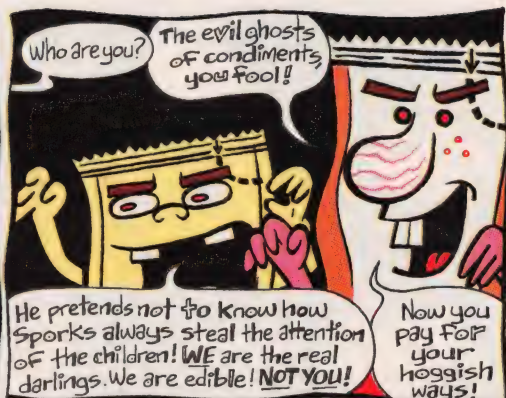
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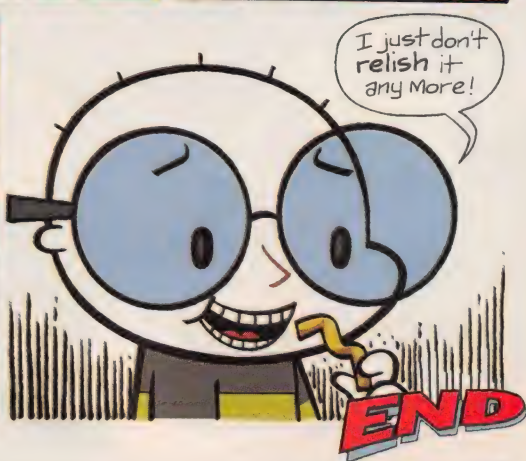


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# D&A "HALLOWEENIE ROAST"

**HALLOWEEN...**

MISCHIEF AND  
MAGIC ARE OUT  
IN FULL FORCE!

BABYSITTING  
ON HALLOWEEN?!  
I THOUGHT YOU  
WERE GOING TO  
WATCH "SCARY  
MONSTER  
MARATHON"  
WITH ME  
TONIGHT!

MAYBE  
NEXT  
YEAR,  
ADAM.

LOOK, I TOLD MRS.  
IRVING THAT WE'D  
WATCH *HER KIDS*  
TONIGHT. SHE'S  
VISITING A SICK  
FRIEND! THIS WON'T  
BE THAT BAD.

"NIGHT OF  
THE KILLER  
HAMSTERS"  
WOULDN'T  
HAVE BEEN  
BAD, EITHER...  
=GRUMBLES=



OK, KIDS, YOU KNOW  
THE DRILL...

WE KNOW!  
RING THE  
DOORBELL  
AND YELL,  
"TRICK OR  
TREAT!"

THEN  
THEY  
GIVE US  
CANDY,  
AND WE  
SAY  
"THANK  
YOU."

VERY  
GOOD,  
ROGER!

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THEY SHOULD HAVE IT BY NOW. WE'VE ONLY EXPLAINED IT TO THEM *FIFTEEN* TIMES...

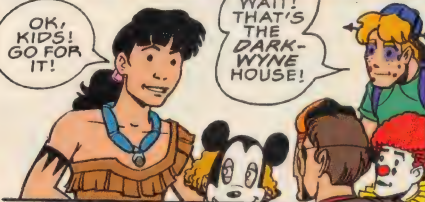
CORRECTION. I'VE EXPLAINED IT TO THEM FIFTEEN TIMES. ALL YOU'VE DONE IS COMPLAIN.

SO? I SEE OLD MRS. DARKWYNE AT MY GRAND-FATHER'S GENERAL STORE ALL THE TIME.

AH, THAT'S DURING THE DAYTIME WHEN IT'S SAFE! AT NIGHT, AND ESPECIALLY ON HALLOWEEN NIGHT--

OK, KIDS! GO FOR IT!

WAIT! THAT'S THE DARK-WYNE HOUSE!



--OLD MRS. DARKWYNE IS ANYTHING BUT SAFE!

I ONCE HEARD THAT WHEN THE MOON IS FULL AND THE NIGHT IS DARK...

...OLD MRS. DARKWYNE STOPS BEING A HARMLESS OLD LADY, AND BECOMES...

...THE DARKWYNE OGRE!

HEH, HEH, HEH...



RUMOR HAS IT THAT THE DARKWYNE OGRE DOESN'T EAT NORMAL FOOD, SHE EATS--

SAVE IT.

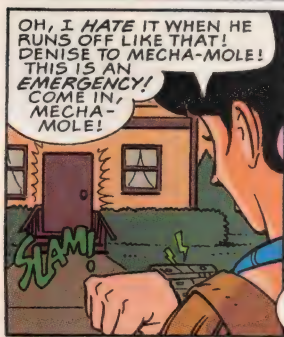
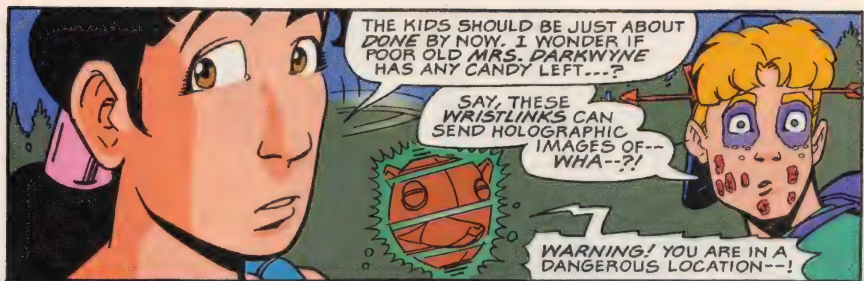
HUH?

WE'RE NOT IMPRESSED.







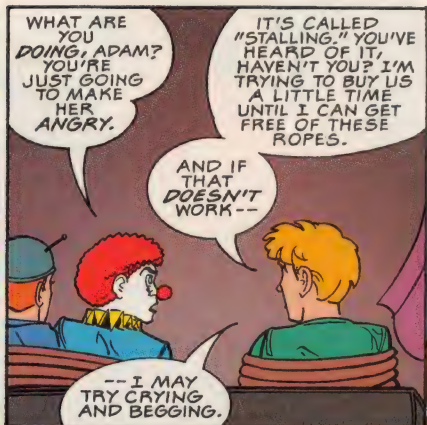






MYWAHAHAHA!! NOW, JUST A TEA-  
SPOON OF PEPPER, AND MY TRANS-  
MIGRATORY STEW IS ALMOST READY  
FOR THE FINAL INGREDIENT! MUST  
GET THE RECIPE EXACTLY PERFECT,  
OR ELSE---

YOU  
WON'T GET  
AWAY WITH  
THIS, YOU  
KNOW.



WHAT ARE  
YOU  
DOING, ADAM?  
YOU'RE  
JUST GOING  
TO MAKE  
HER  
ANGRY.

IT'S CALLED  
"STALLING." YOU'VE  
HEARD OF IT,  
HAVEN'T YOU? I'M  
TRYING TO BUY US  
A LITTLE TIME  
UNTIL I CAN GET  
FREE OF THESE  
ROPES.

AND IF  
THAT  
DOESN'T  
WORK---

-- I MAY  
TRY CRYING  
AND BEGGING.



ALL  
RIGHT! THE  
STEW IS  
ALMOST  
READY!

WHO  
WANTS  
TO GO  
FIRST?



I'LL GO  
FIRST, IF YOU  
LET THE  
OTHERS GO  
FREE---

I RATHER  
DOUBT IT WILL  
WORK THAT  
WAY, MY BOY!



STOP  
RESISTING!  
HRRGH!!

UH... I'M NOT  
RESISTING.  
I'M JUST...  
UHH...

...STRETCH-  
ING MY  
LEGS ONE  
LAST  
TIME---

STOP!



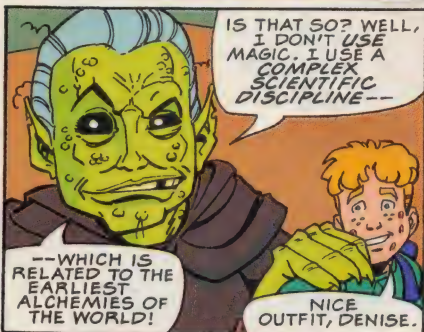
YOU CAN'T HAVE THOSE KIDS! THEY...UH... BELONG TO ME!

OH? AND WHO ARE YOU, MY DEAR?



I'M DENISE...THE... ER... OWNER OF WALDEN OAKS!

AND MY MAGIC IS FAR MORE POWERFUL THAN YOURS!



IS THAT SO? WELL, I DON'T USE MAGIC. I USE A COMPLEX SCIENTIFIC DISCIPLINE--

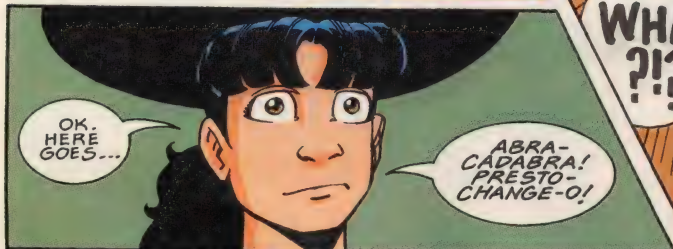
--WHICH IS RELATED TO THE EARLIEST ALCHEMIES OF THE WORLD!

NICE OUTFIT, DENISE.



BUT IF YOU SAY YOU USE MAGIC, I'LL LET YOU GO FIRST. THIS BETTER BE GOOD--

--OR I'LL THROW YOU IN WITH THE REST OF THESE CHILDREN!



OK. HERE GOES...

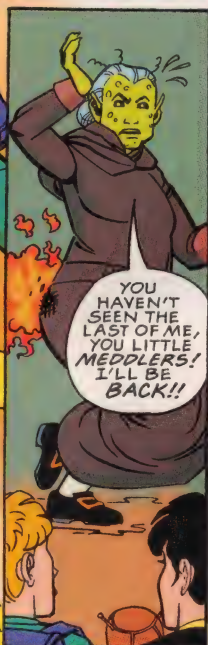
ABRA-CADABRA! PRESTO-CHANGE-O!



Boooo!!

WHA?!?







THE NEXT DAY, AT SWSC HEADQUARTERS...

CONGRATULATIONS, ADAM AND DENISE! YOU'VE RID US, AT LEAST TEMPORARILY, OF THE DARKWYNE OGRE! THE SWSC HAS BEEN TRYING TO CATCH HER FOR YEARS.

DENISE, THAT BIT WITH THE WITCH COSTUME WAS GREAT. YOU'RE BRILLIANT!

OH, NO, ADAM, YOU'RE BRILLIANT. YOU DUMPED THE GARLIC IN HER STEW POT.

AH, BUT I COULDN'T HAVE DONE THAT IF YOU HADN'T USED THE HOLOGRAM. I INSIST THAT YOU ARE THE BRILLIANT ONE!

NOPE, YOU ARE THE BRILLIANT ONE! I WOULDN'T HAVE THOUGHT OF THAT IF YOU HADN'T BEEN MESSING AROUND WITH THE WRIST-LINKS IN THE FIRST PLACE.

OK, YOU ARE BOTH BRILLIANT! AND FOR THAT REASON, YOU ARE NO LONGER PROVISIONAL MEMBERS OF THE SWSC!

YOU ARE NOW FULL-TIME AGENTS OF ALTRUISM!

ALL RIGHT !!

AGENTS OF ALTRUISM?

I CAN BARELY PRONOUNCE IT, BUT I LIKE IT!

**END**



ON SALE NOVEMBER 4!

coming up

**Next month:**

What do you get when you mix **Robin Williams**, gravity-defying **goo** and a souped-up lab? **Flubber!** We got the inside **scoop** on the **nutty professor** movie from **Robin himself!**

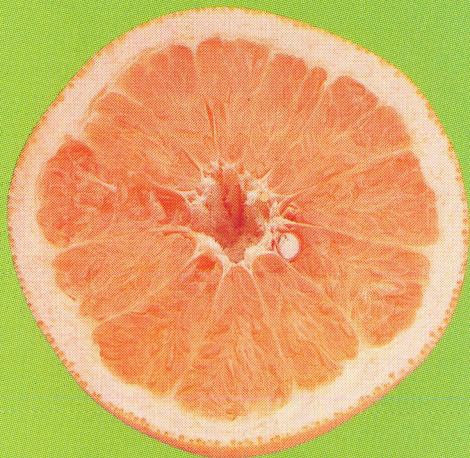
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- Check out **D.A.'s** picks for the best **slam dunkers** in the **NBA**.
- **George of the Jungle** swings into the **Comics Zone** with a brand-new comic.

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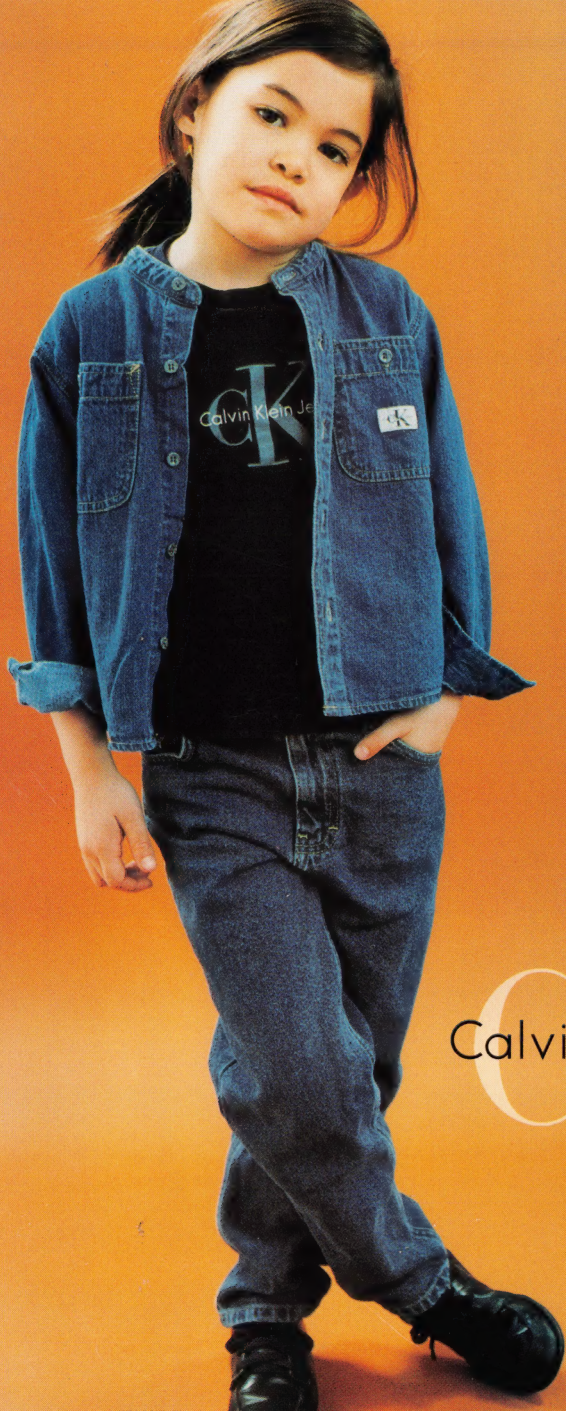
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